

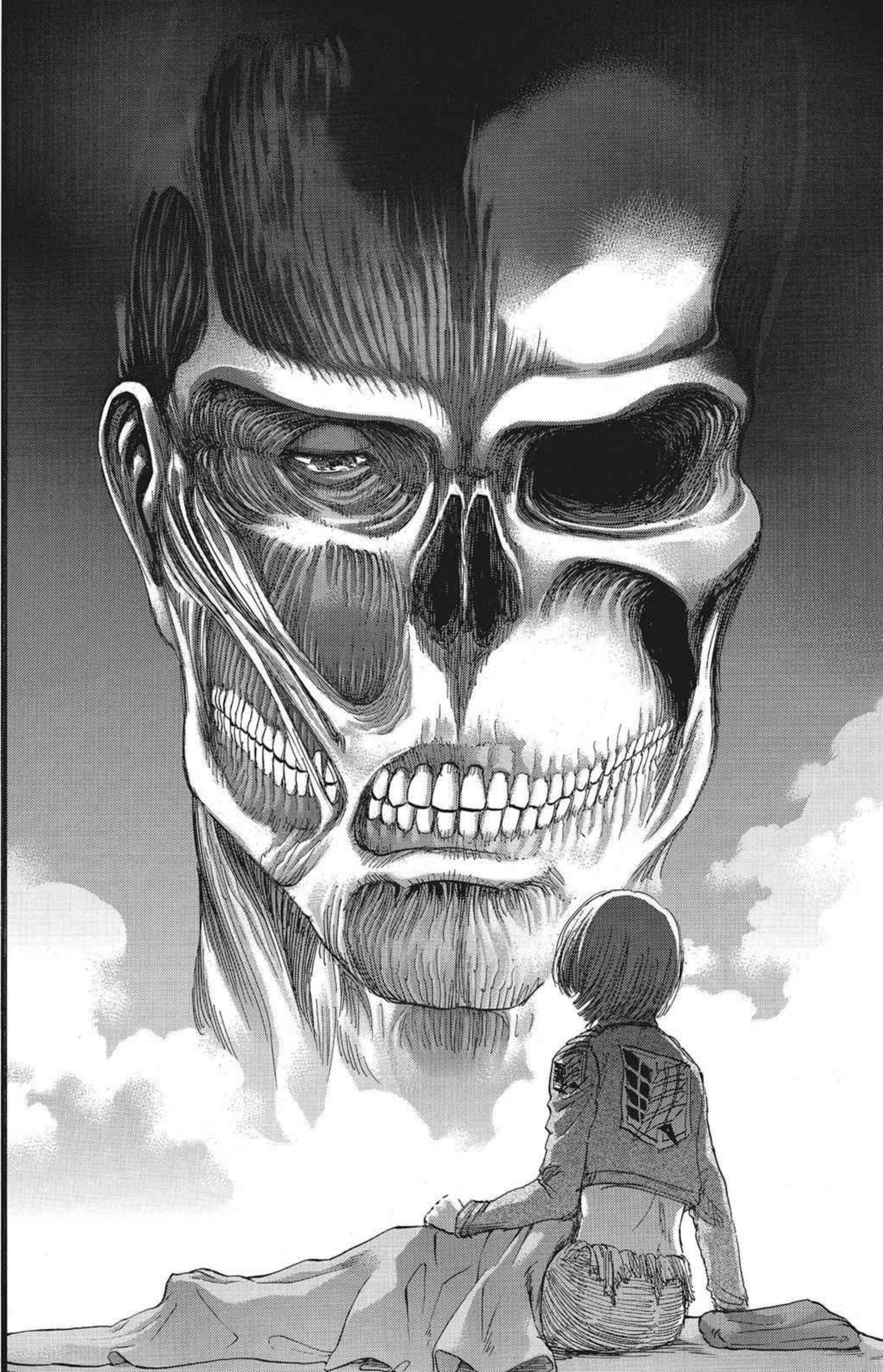


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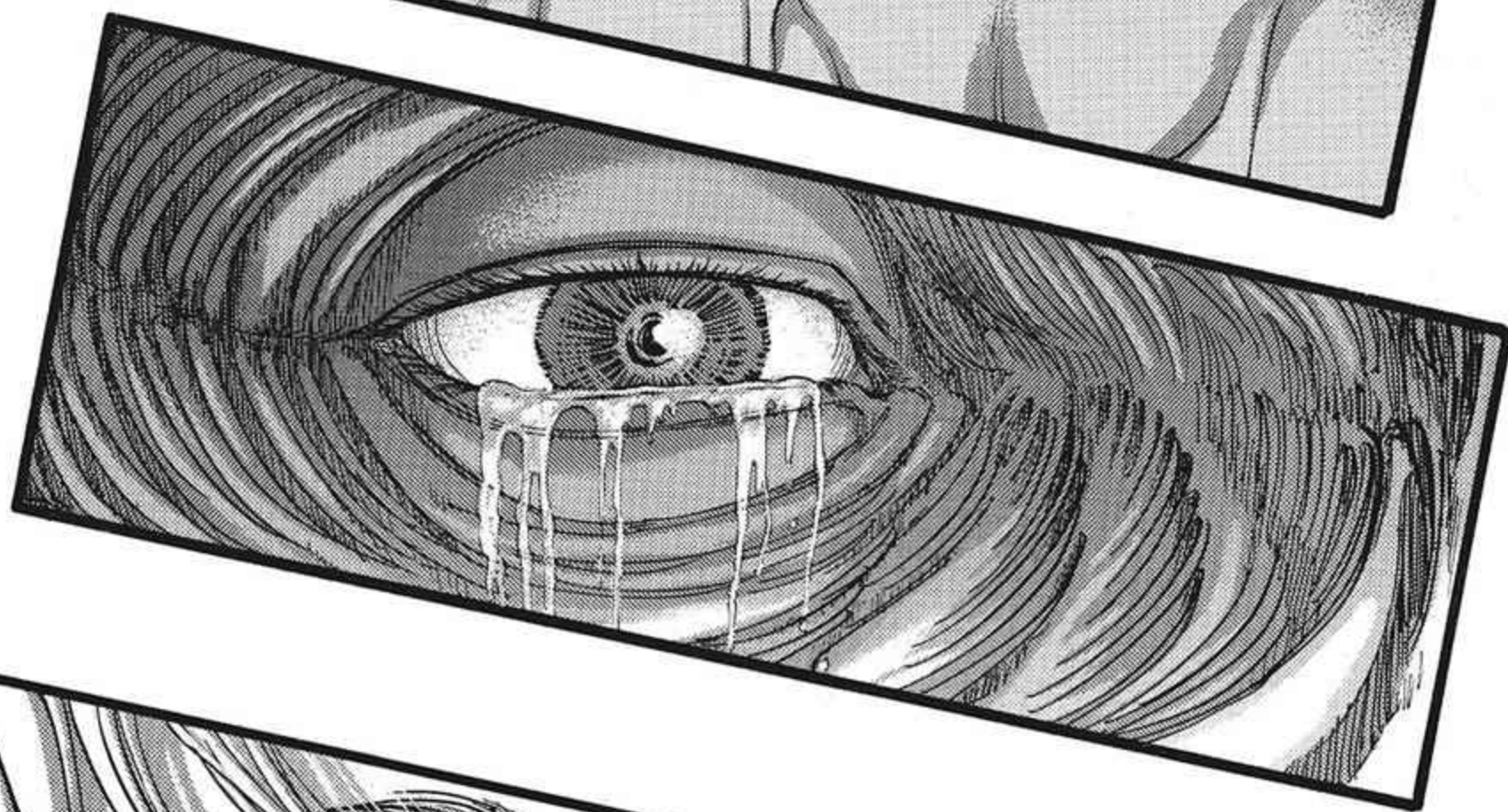


IT HURTS ...



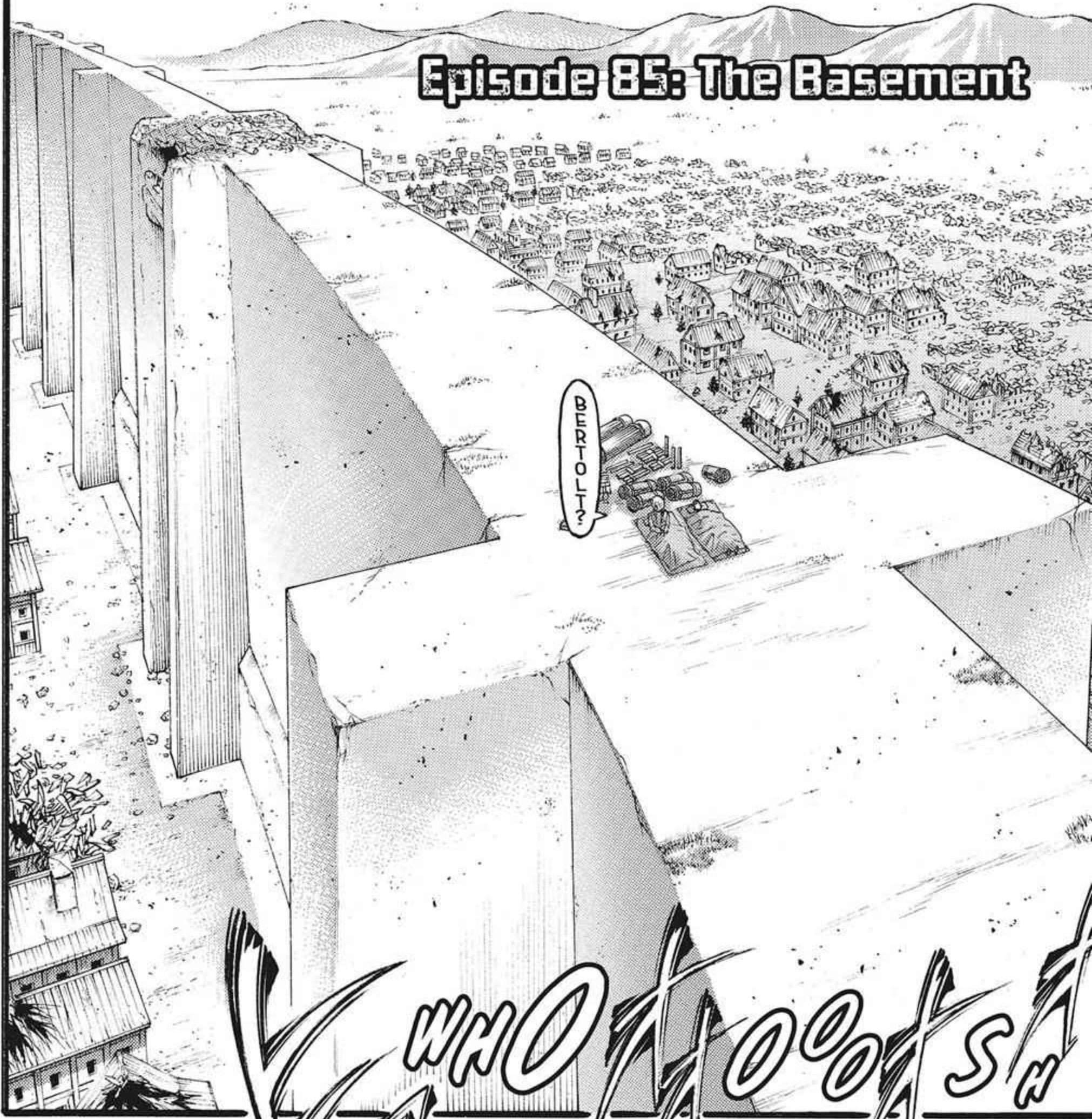




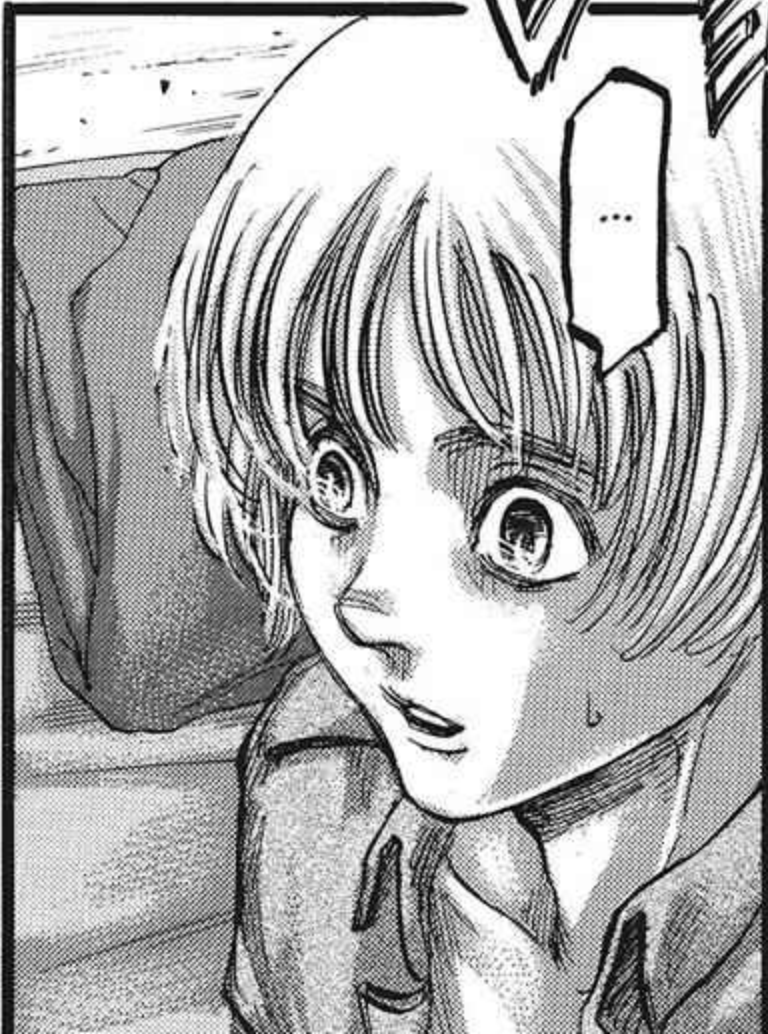




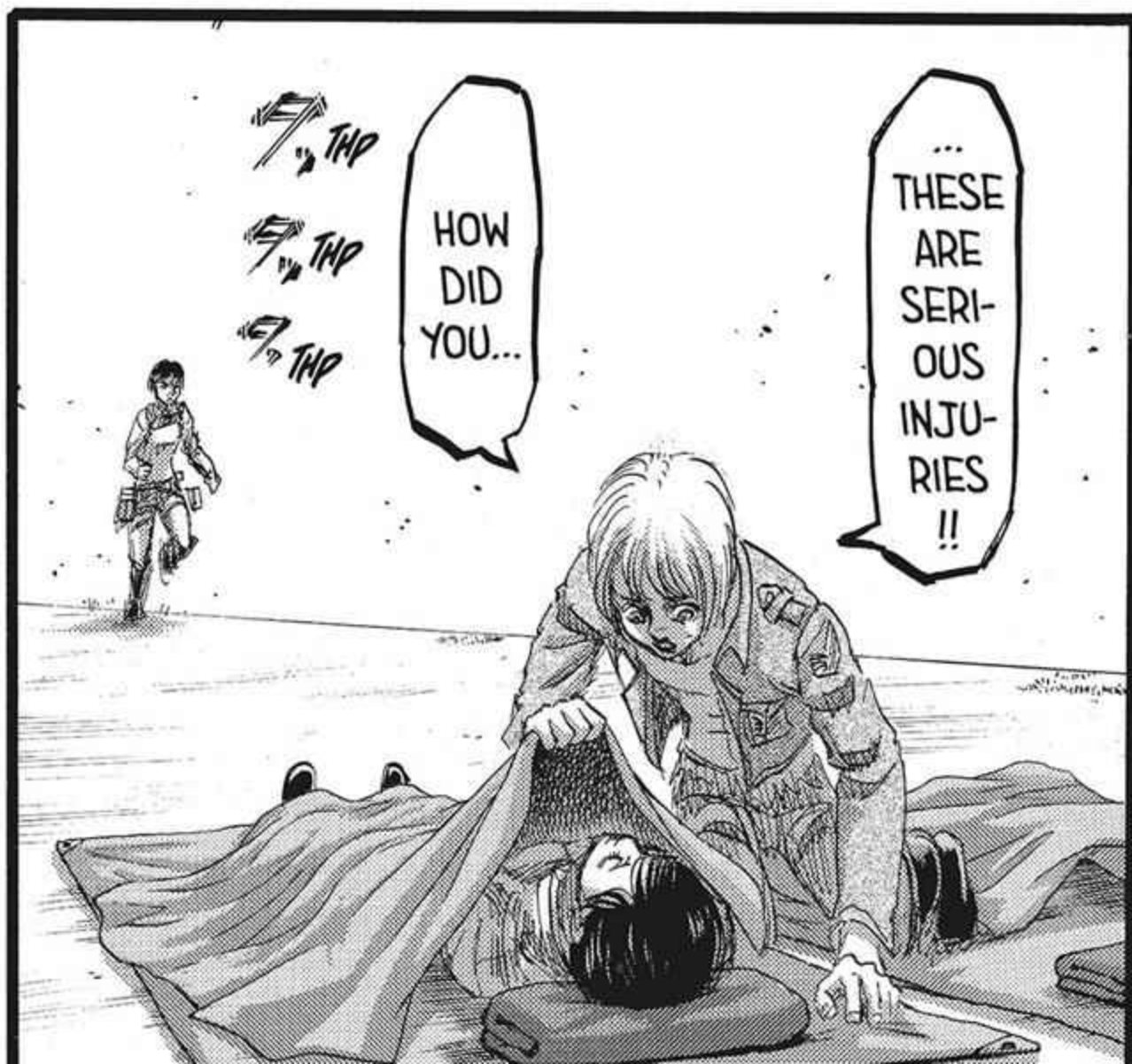
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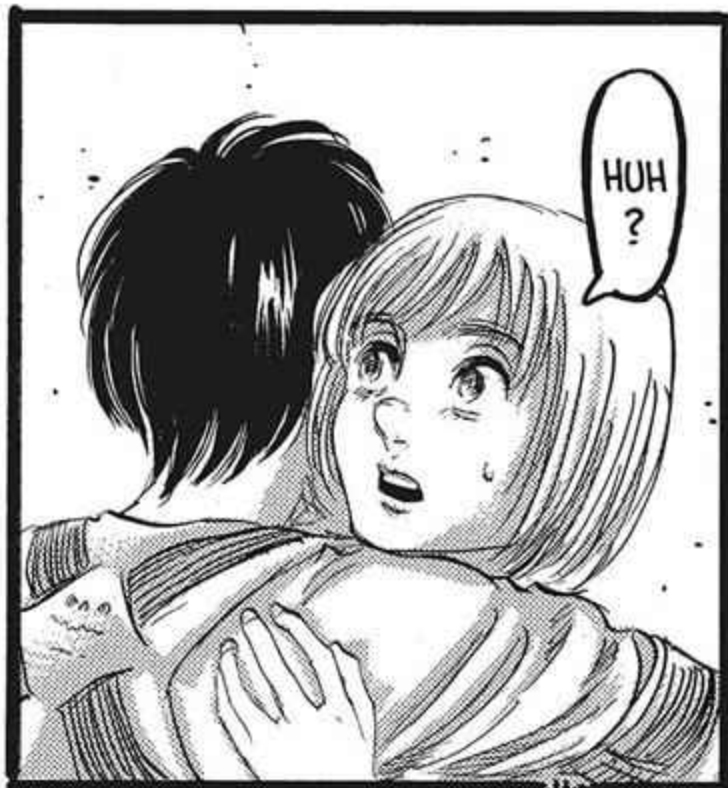
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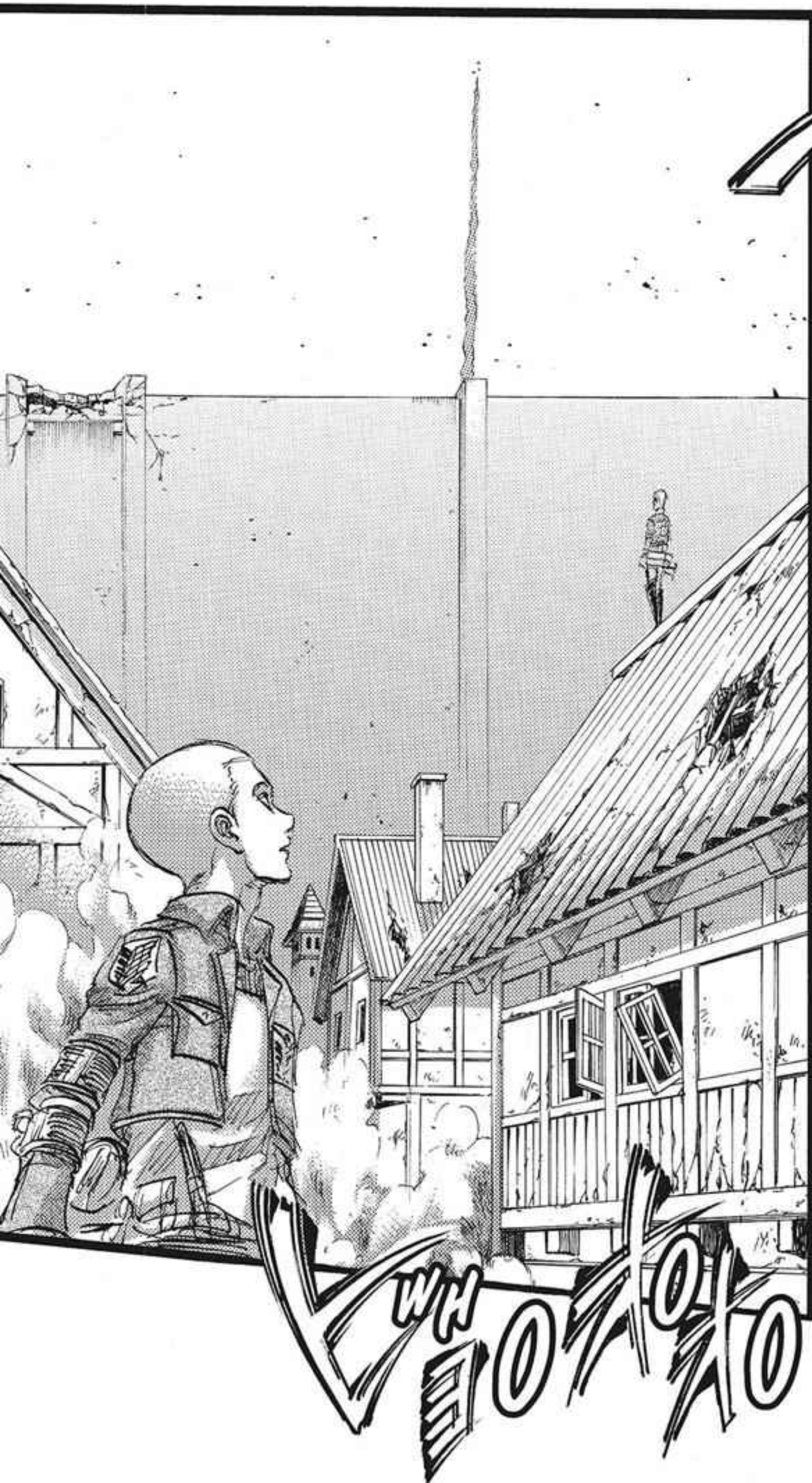








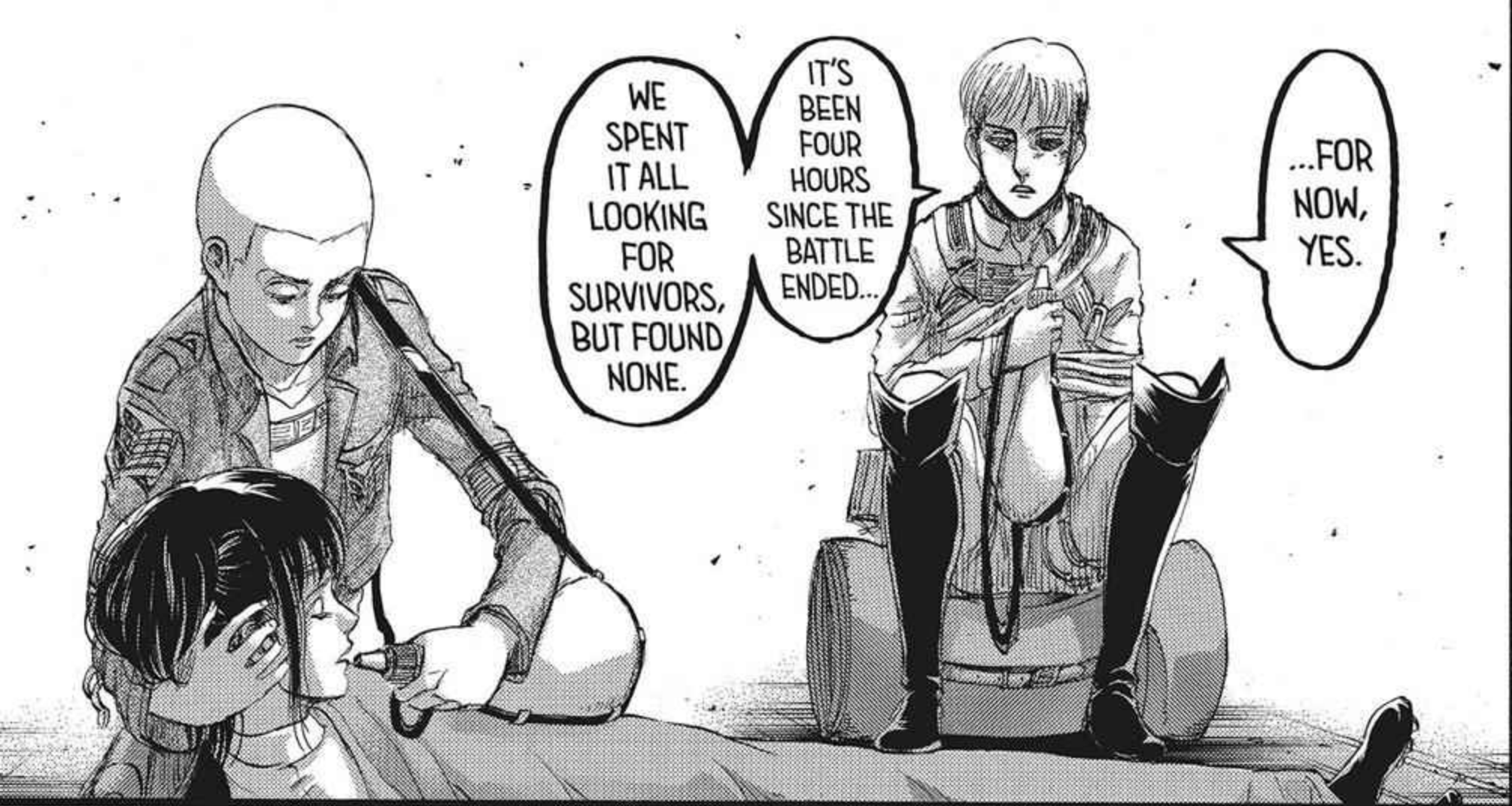












WE  
SPENT  
IT ALL  
LOOKING  
FOR  
SURVIVORS,  
BUT FOUND  
NONE.

IT'S  
BEEN  
FOUR  
HOURS  
SINCE THE  
BATTLE  
ENDED...

...FOR  
NOW,  
YES.



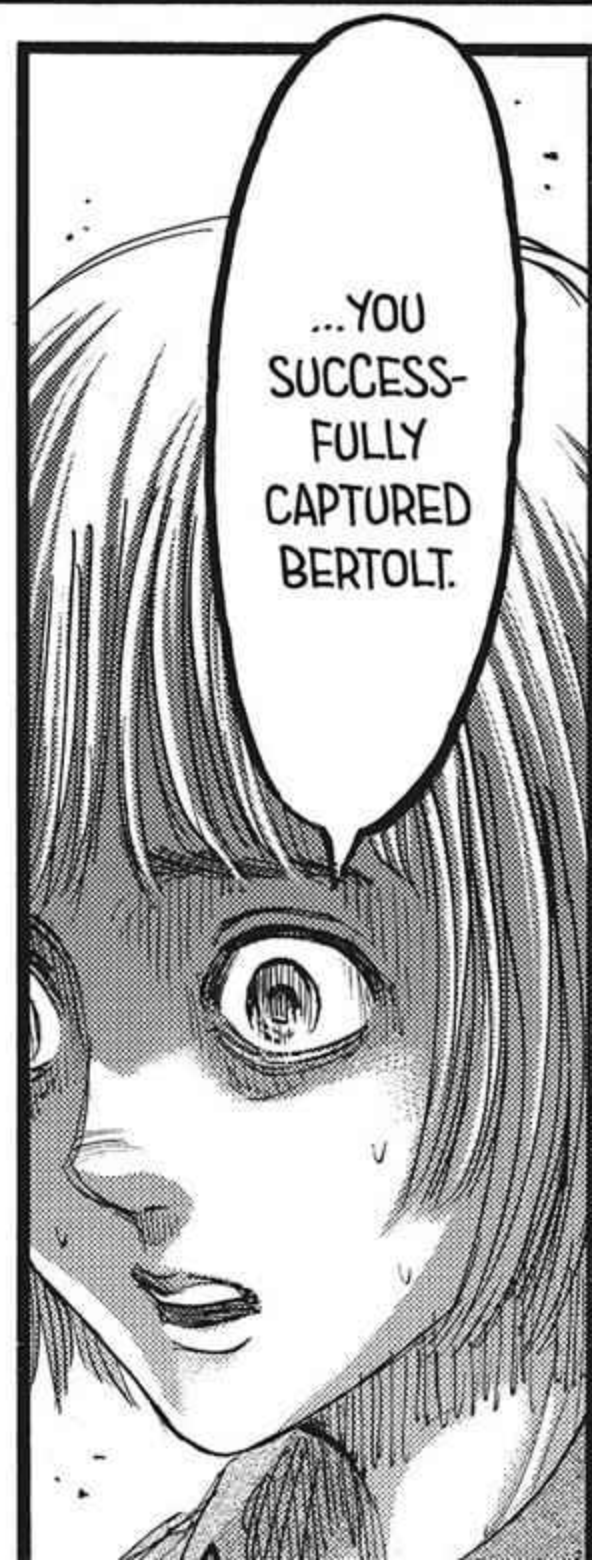
YOU ASSUME  
REINER, THE  
BEAST TITAN,  
AND ONE OTHER  
HAVE FLED.

SO, THE  
GATE TO  
SHIGANSHINA  
IS  
SEALED.



...AFTER A  
DISAGREEMENT  
ABOUT...  
WHO SHOULD  
RECEIVE THE  
INJECTION...

WHEN...  
BOTH  
COMMANDER  
ERWIN AND I  
WERE ON  
THE BRINK  
OF  
DEATH...

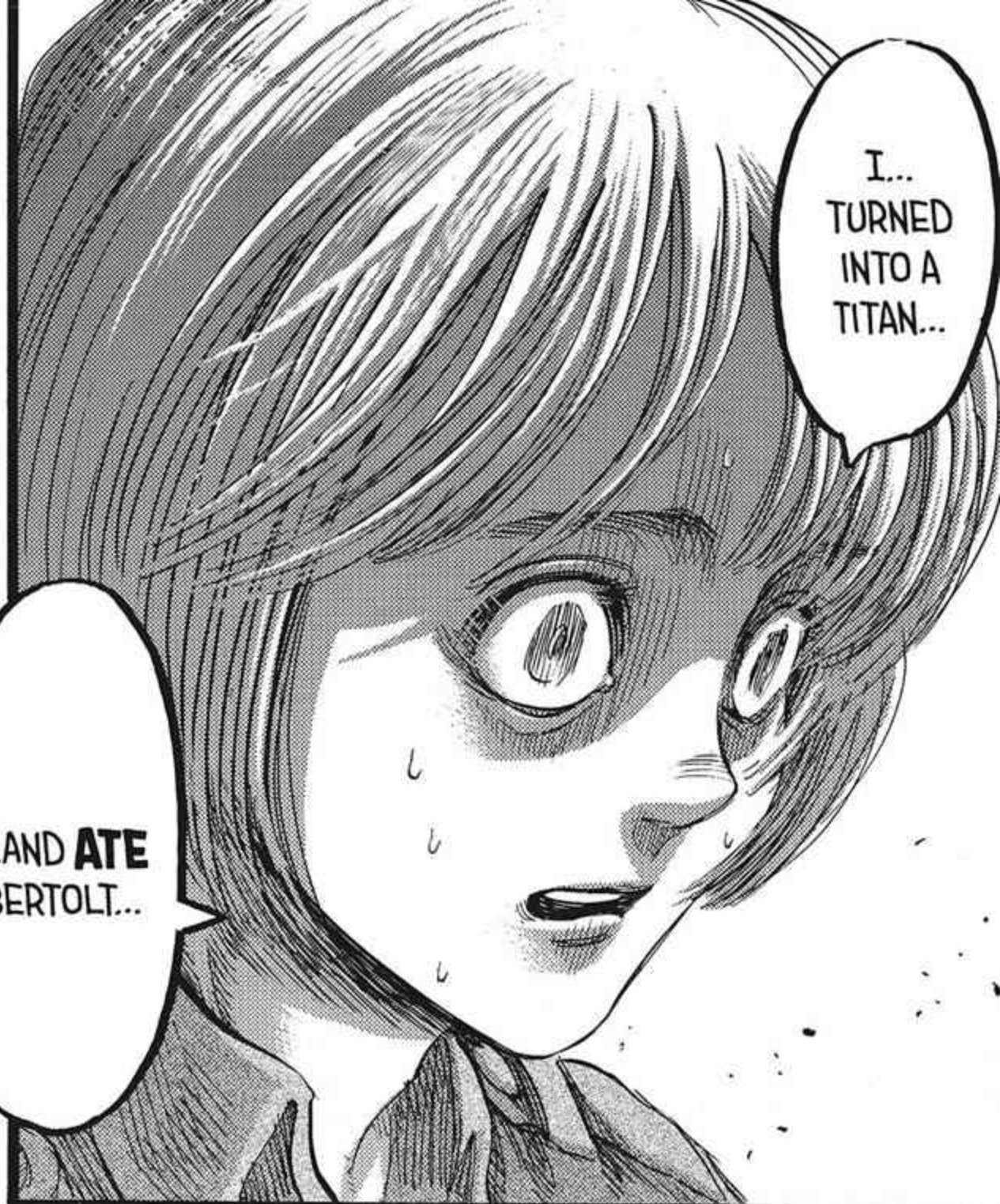


...YOU  
SUCCESS-  
FULLY  
CAPTURED  
BERTOLT.





...AND **ATE**  
BERTOLT...



I...  
TURNED  
INTO A  
TITAN...



...DID  
YOU  
CHOOSE  
**ME?**

WHY...





...AND  
DECIDE TO  
BRING  
COMMANDER  
ERWIN BACK  
TO LIFE?!

WOULDN'T  
ANYONE  
LOOK AT  
THE SITU-  
TION...

I SAID  
TO TELL  
HIM EVERY-  
THING.

TCH.

WHY  
DID YOU  
GIVE THE  
INJEC-  
TION TO  
ME?!

CAP-  
TAIN!  
!!

THEY  
ACTUALLY  
WENT AFTER  
ME WITH  
THEIR  
BLADES.

...YOUR  
TWO FRIENDS  
DIDN'T SEE  
THINGS THAT  
WAY.

YOU  
SHOULD  
KNOW  
...

BUT  
THIS  
GOES FAR  
BEYOND  
MILITARY  
DISCI-  
PLINE.

YOUR  
INSUBOR-  
DINATION  
WILL OF  
COURSE  
BE PUN-  
ISHED.

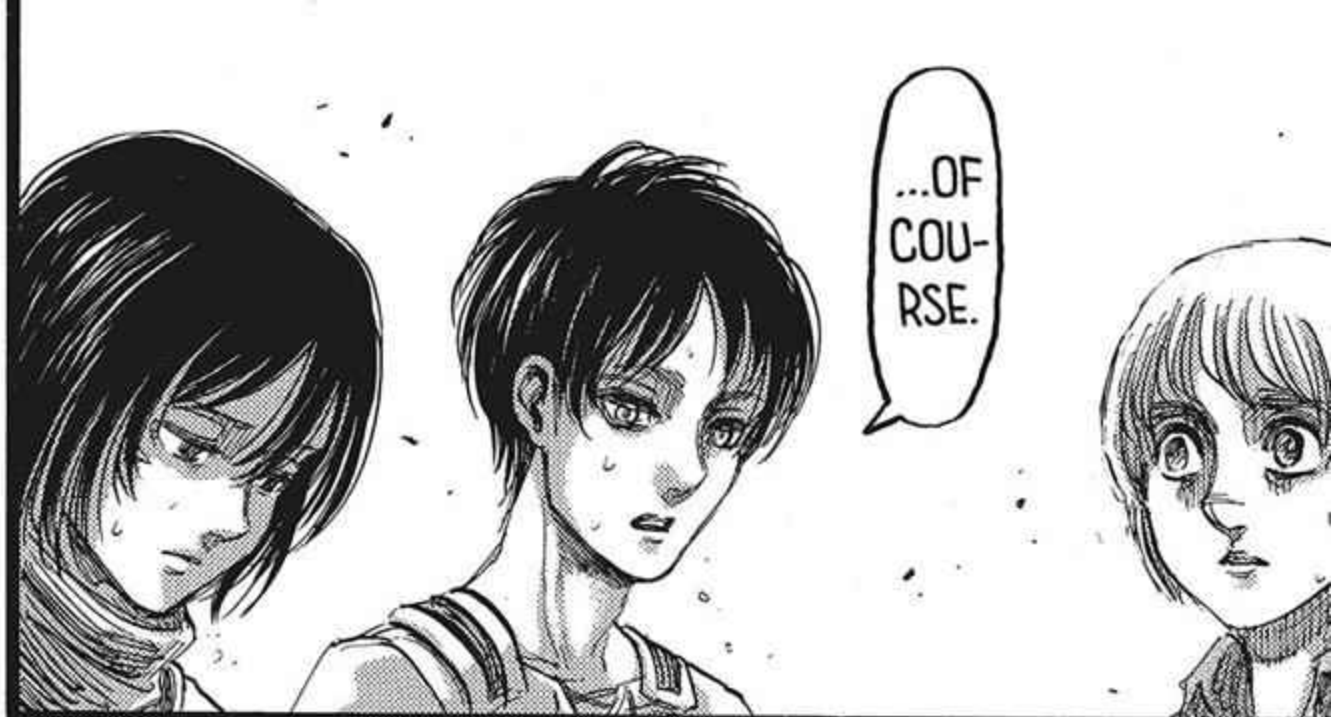
WE'LL  
ACCEPT  
ANY PUNISH-  
MENT YOU  
GIVE  
US.

HUH  
?

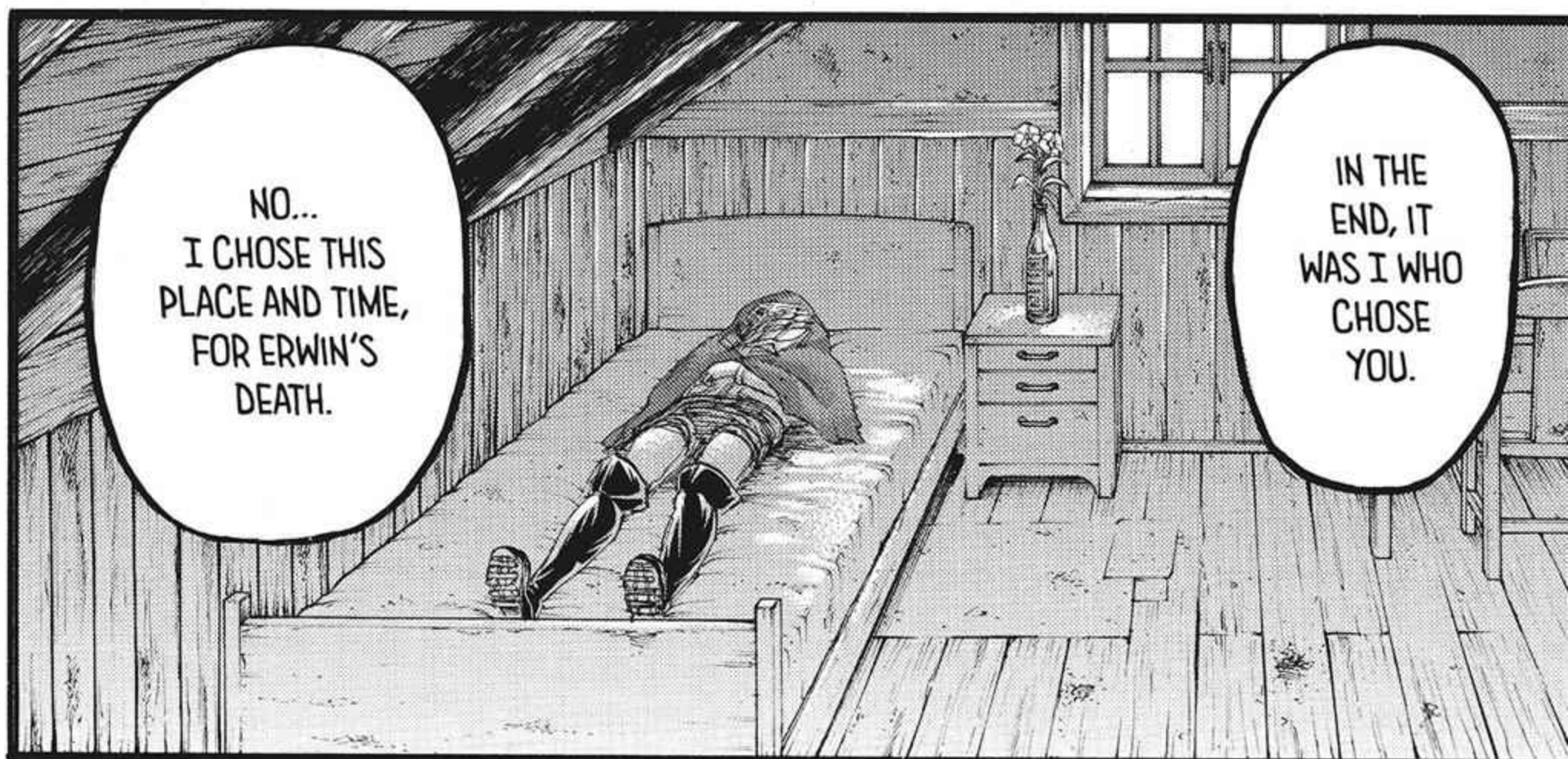




THAT SAID ...



...OF COURSE.



NO... I CHOSE THIS PLACE AND TIME, FOR ERWIN'S DEATH.

IN THE END, IT WAS I WHO CHOSE YOU.



THERE'S NO WAY YOU COULD LET THE COMMANDER DIE.

...BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND.



WHAT DO WE DO NOW ...?

WE...

IF COMMANDER ERWIN IS GONE, THEN...

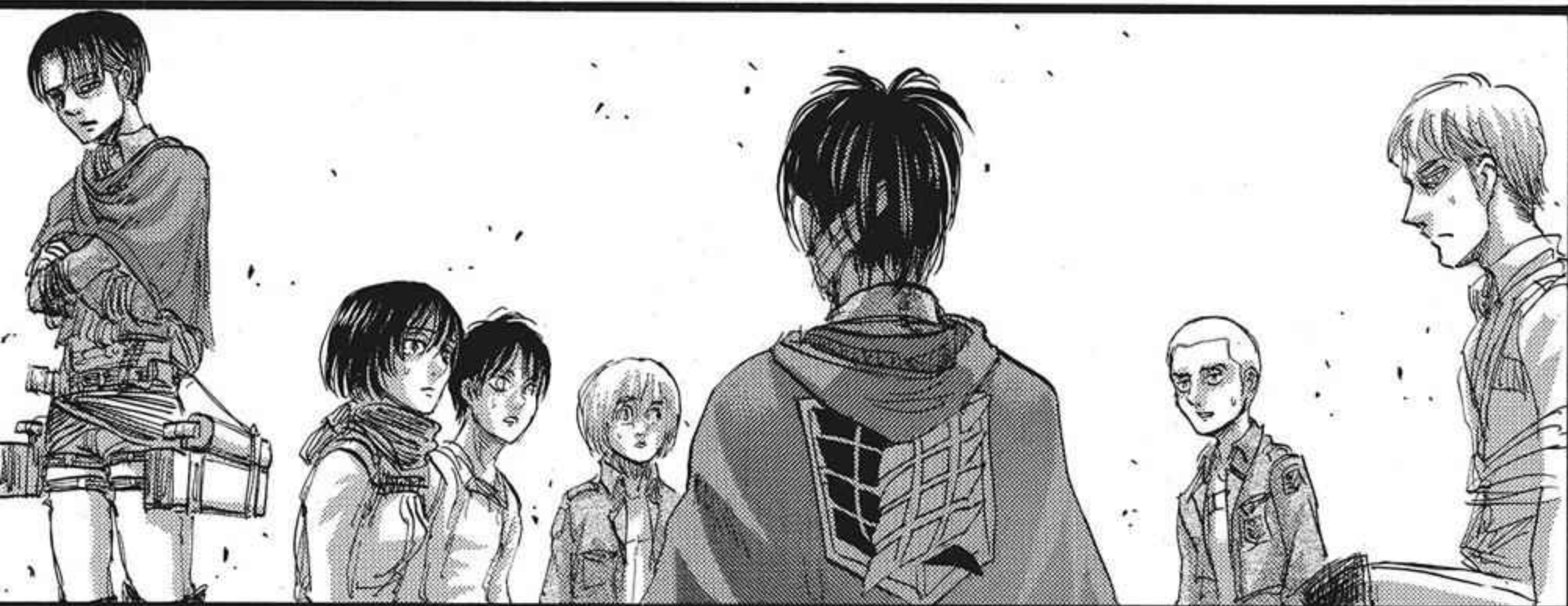






...WE  
SHOULD HAVE  
GIVEN THE  
INJECTION TO  
ERWIN.

I  
ALSO  
THINK  
...



THERE'S  
NOTHING  
MORE TO  
SAY.

AND  
LEVI  
CHOSE  
YOU.

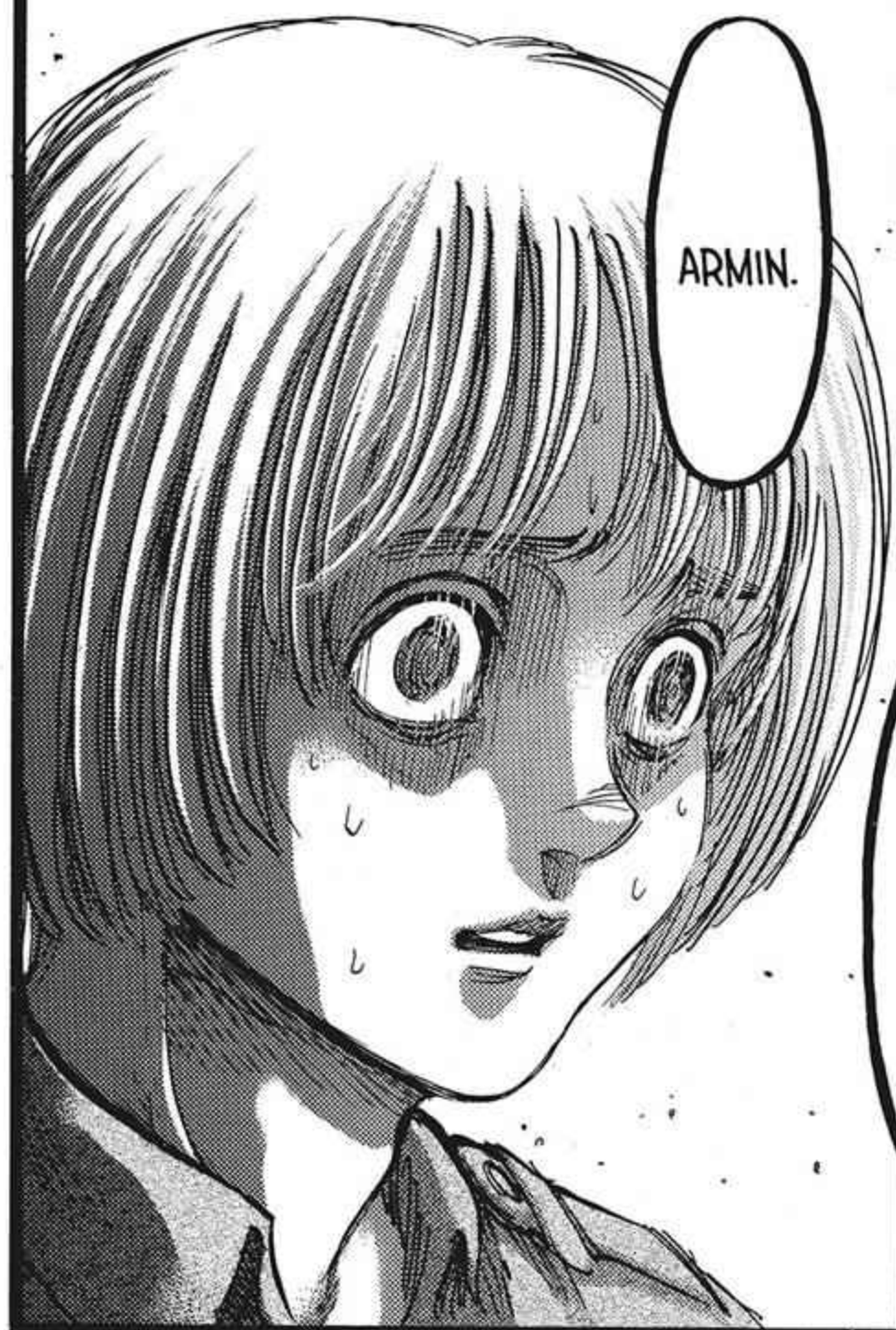
BUT  
ERWIN HIMSELF  
ENTRUSTED THAT  
DECISION TO  
LEVI.

...AND  
THE  
POWER  
OF THE  
TITANS.

...THE  
WEIGHT  
OF ERWIN  
SMITH'S  
LIFE...

EXCEPT  
THAT ON  
YOUR  
SHOULDERS  
NOW  
REST...





ARMIN.



THAT IS  
WHY YOU  
LIVE NOW,  
NO MATTER  
WHAT  
ANYONE  
ELSE  
SAYS.

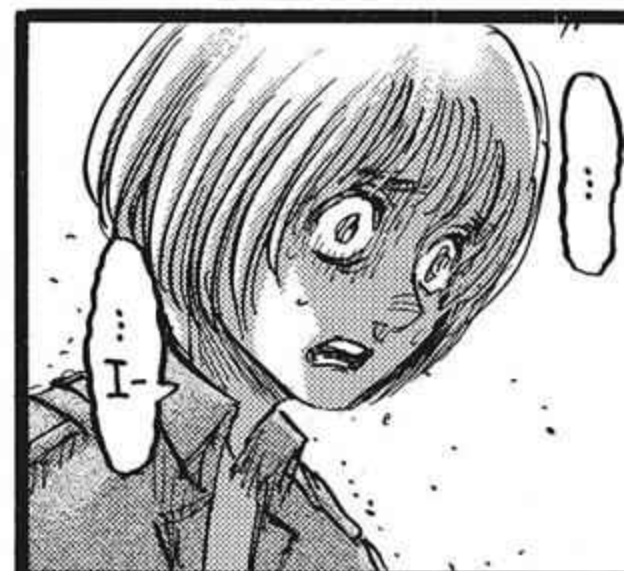
AND  
WE'LL BE  
EXPECTING  
YOU TO  
CONTRIBUTE  
EVEN MORE  
TO  
HUMANITY.



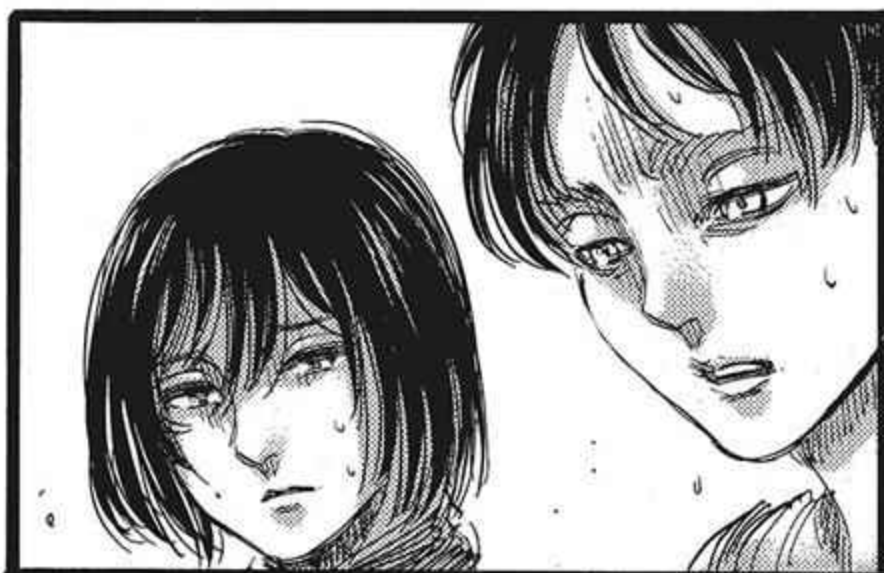
...COM-  
MANDER  
ERWIN'S  
REPLACE-  
MENT??

...SUP-  
POSED  
TO  
BE...

I'M  
...



...  
I-



...THAT'S...  
ABSURD...





YOU  
COULD  
NEVER  
REPLACE  
ERWIN.

DON'T  
MIS-  
UNDER-  
STAND.



IT IS TRUE  
THAT YOU HAVE  
A POWER THAT  
NO HUMAN  
HAS.

BUT  
...



DON'T  
LET US  
REGRET  
THIS.

GOT  
THAT  
?



NOT  
ANY-  
ONE.



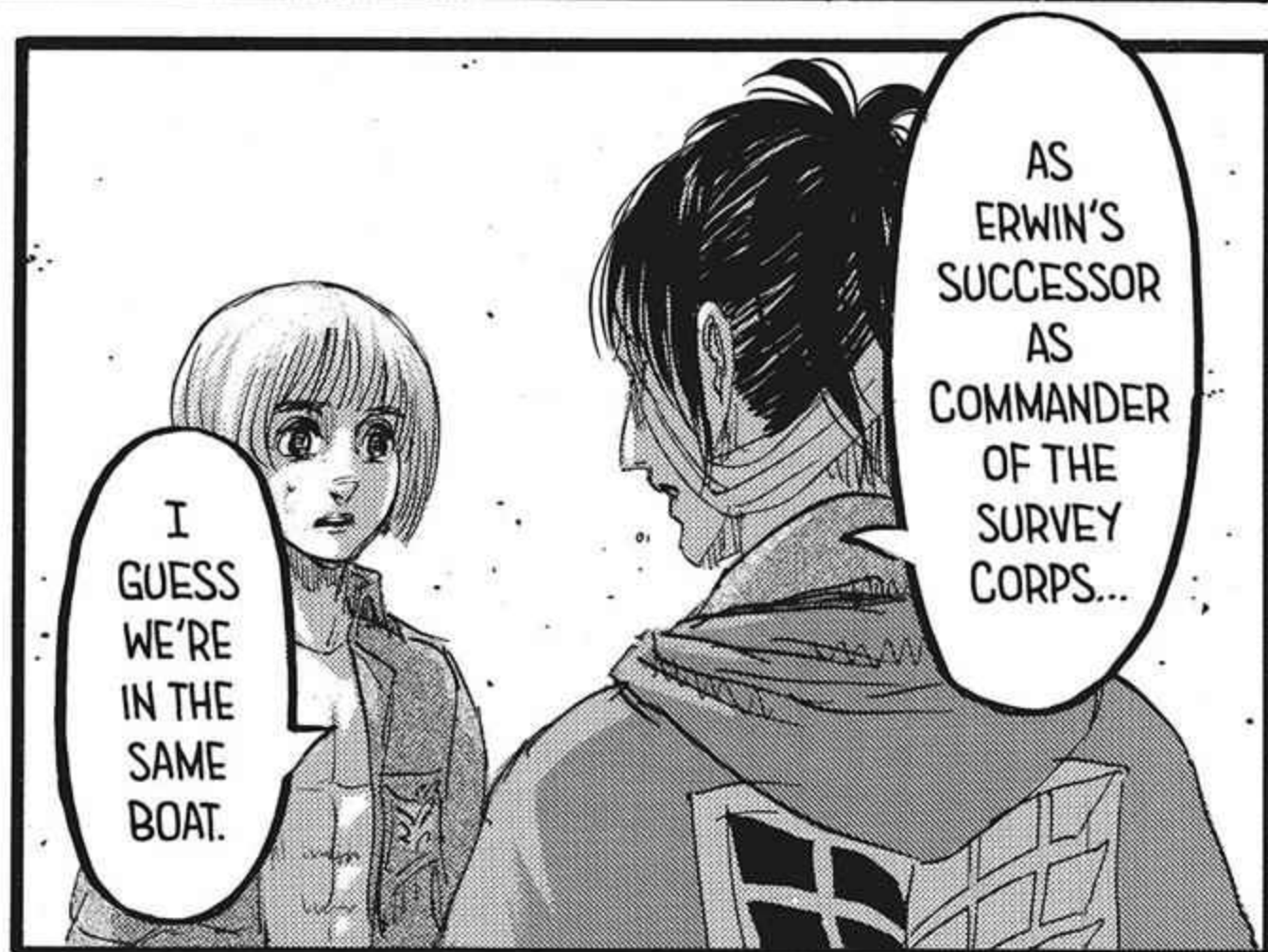
NOT  
THEM.

NOT  
ME.












A close-up of Eren speaking with a determined expression.

THE OTHER  
FOUR OF YOU,  
KEEP WATCH FROM  
THE FOUR SIDES OF  
THE SHIGANSHINA  
DISTRICT  
WALL.

EREN,  
MIKASA, LEVI,  
AND I WILL  
COMPLETE THE  
SURVEY.

Eren, Mikasa, and Levi are sitting on the ground in a desolate, rocky landscape. Eren is on the left, Mikasa is in the middle, and Levi is on the right. They are all looking towards the right. There are some crates or boxes in the background.

EREN.

YOU  
HAVEN'T  
LOST THE  
KEY, HAVE  
YOU?

A close-up of Eren's face as he squeezes his hand. Mikasa is on the left, looking at him. Levi is on the right, looking on. Eren's hand is clenched into a fist.

*SQUEEZE*

A close-up of Eren's eyes, which are wide open and looking forward with a determined expression.

IT'S  
RIGHT  
HERE.

NO.



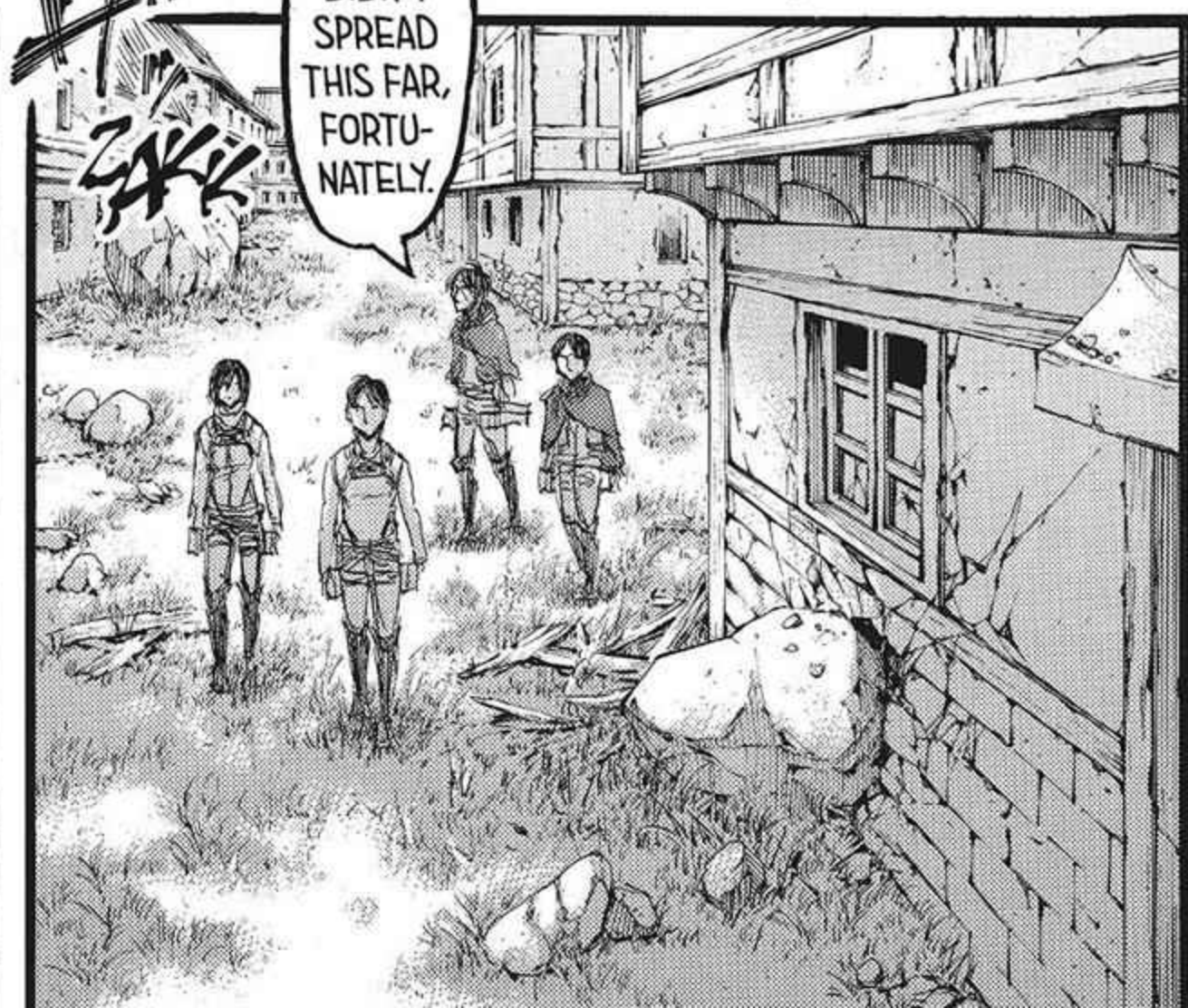


SO  
THE FIRE  
DIDN'T  
SPREAD  
THIS FAR,  
FORTU-  
NATELY.

ザクザク



...IS  
IT THIS  
ONE?



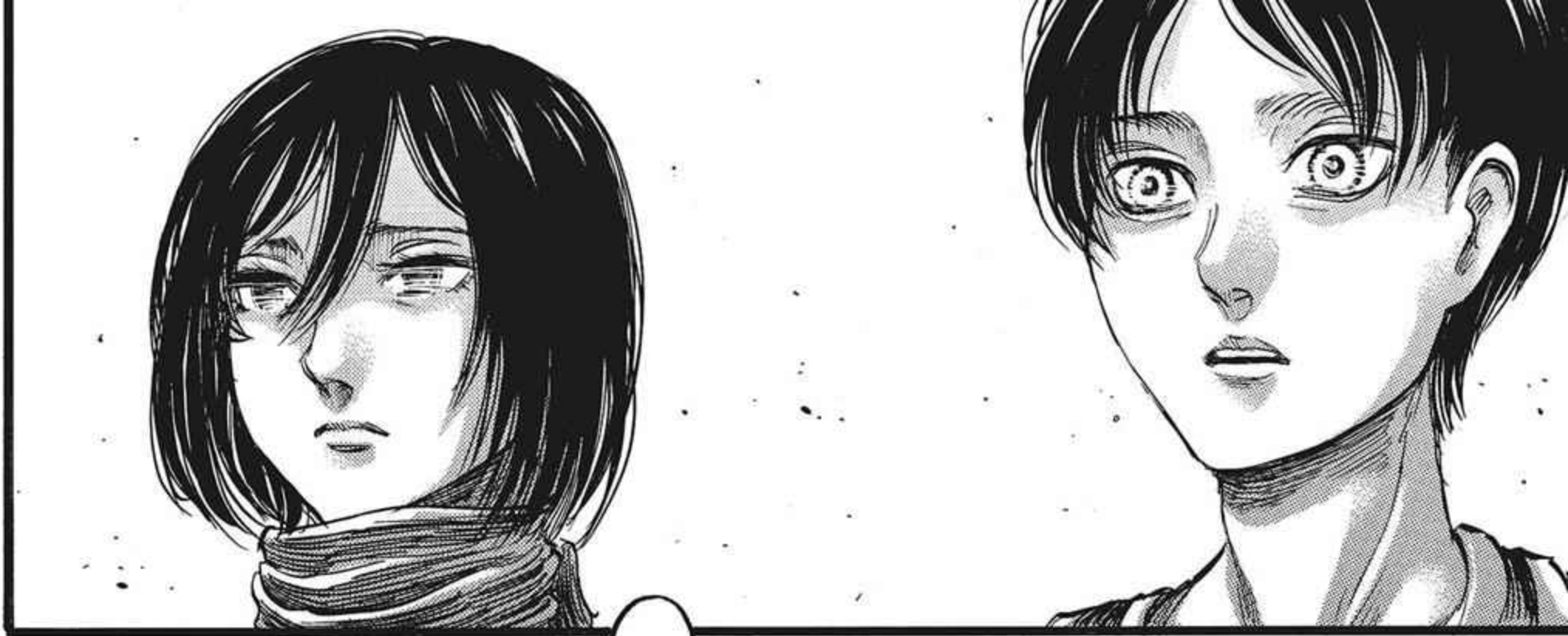












YES.



BECAUSE  
YOUR FATHER'S  
VERY IMPORTANT  
WORK TOOLS  
ARE DOWN  
THERE.

WHY  
CAN'T I  
GO DOWN  
INTO THE  
BASE-  
MENT?!





HEY,  
DAD?



I  
DON'T  
KNOW...



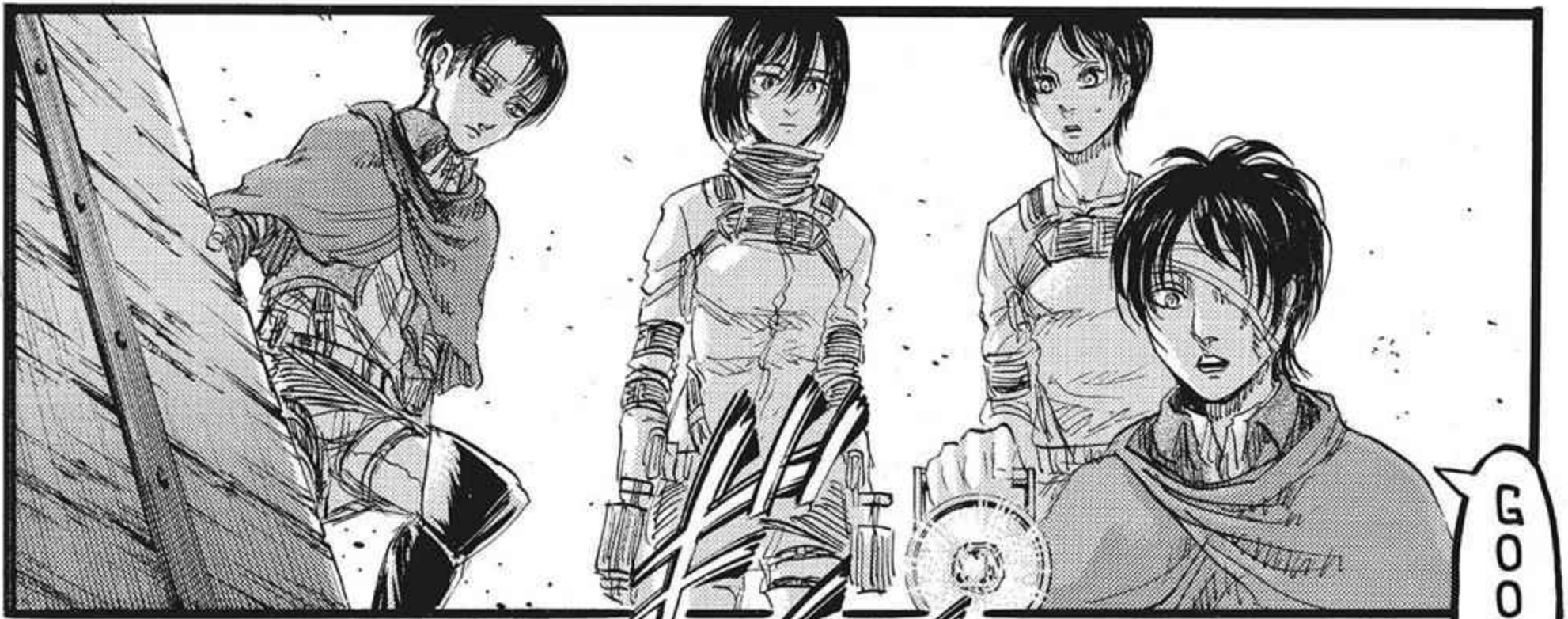
WHEN ARE  
YOU GOING  
TO SHOW ME  
THE BASE-  
MENT?



MAYBE  
WHEN YOU  
REALIZE  
THE MOST  
IMPORTANT  
THING OF  
ALL.

...WHAT'S  
THAT  
MEAN?









LET'S  
GO.



WHAP



EREN.

WHY DO  
YOU WANT  
TO GO  
OUTSIDE?

...INSIDE  
THE WALL,  
IGNORANT  
OF WHAT'S  
GOING ON  
OUTSIDE!!



I  
HATE THE  
IDEA OF  
SPENDING  
MY WHOLE  
LIFE...



TALK  
SOME  
SENSE  
INTO  
YOUR  
SON!!

WAIT...  
HONEY!

CARLA:

THERE'S  
NO HOLDING  
BACK AN  
INQUISITIVE  
MIND.

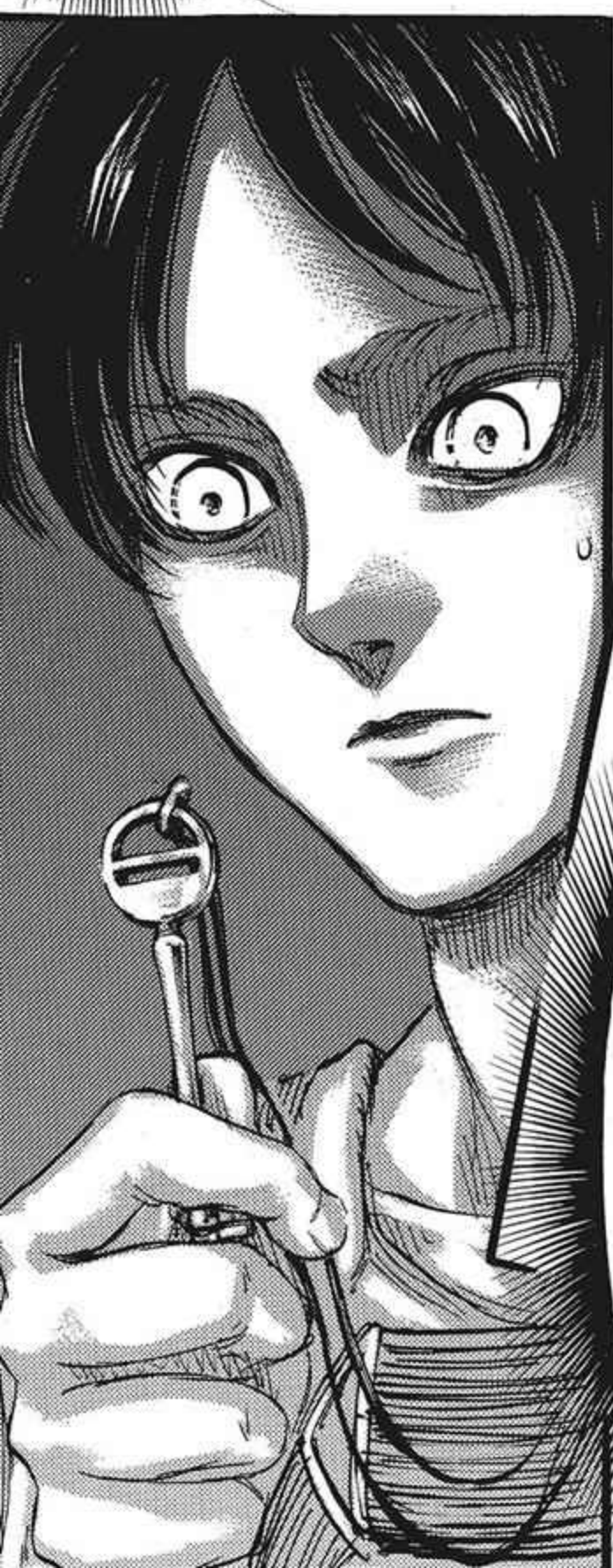
IT  
DOESN'T  
MATTER  
WHAT  
ANYONE  
SAYS.





WHEN  
I GET  
HOME  
...

...EREN.

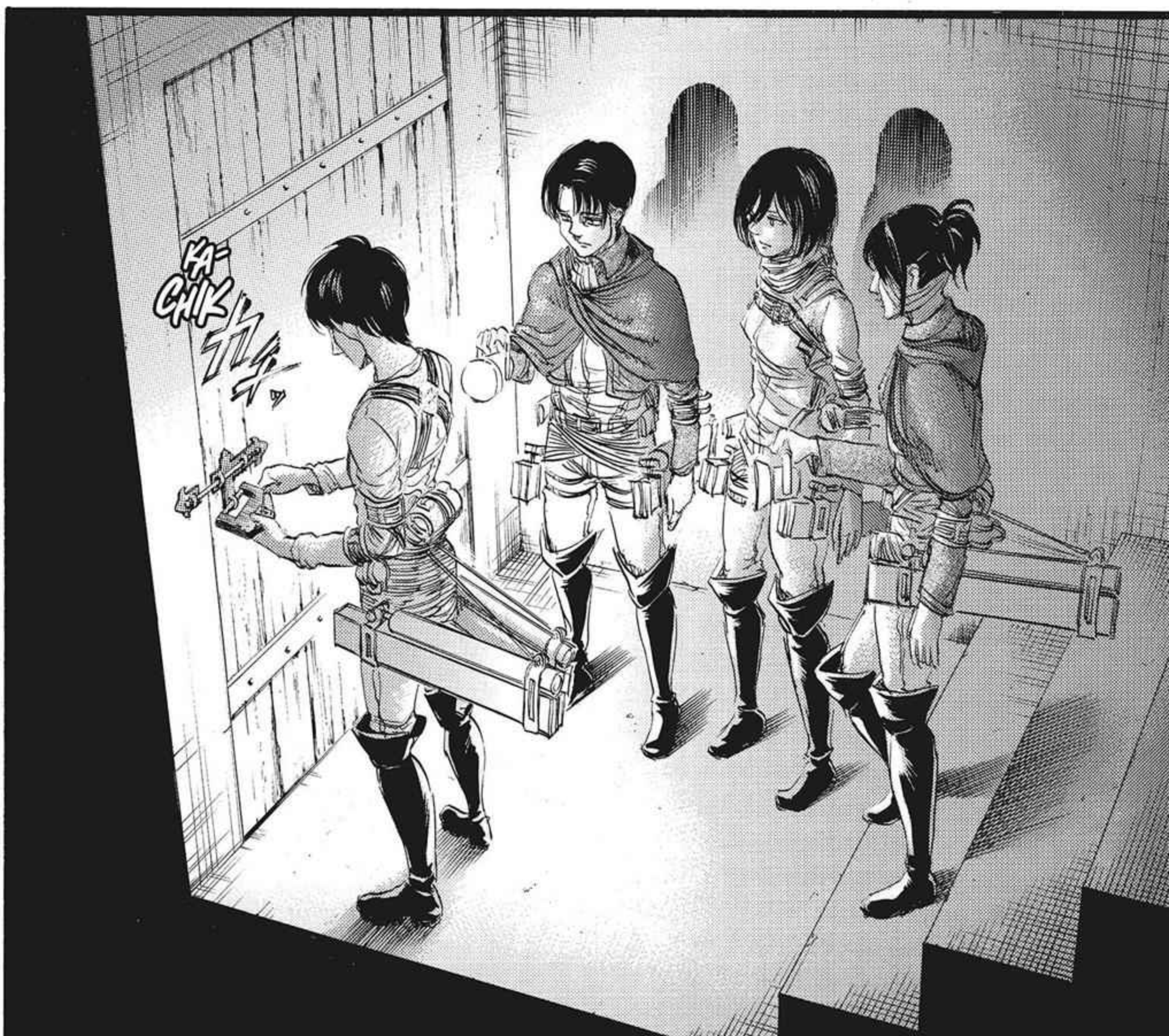
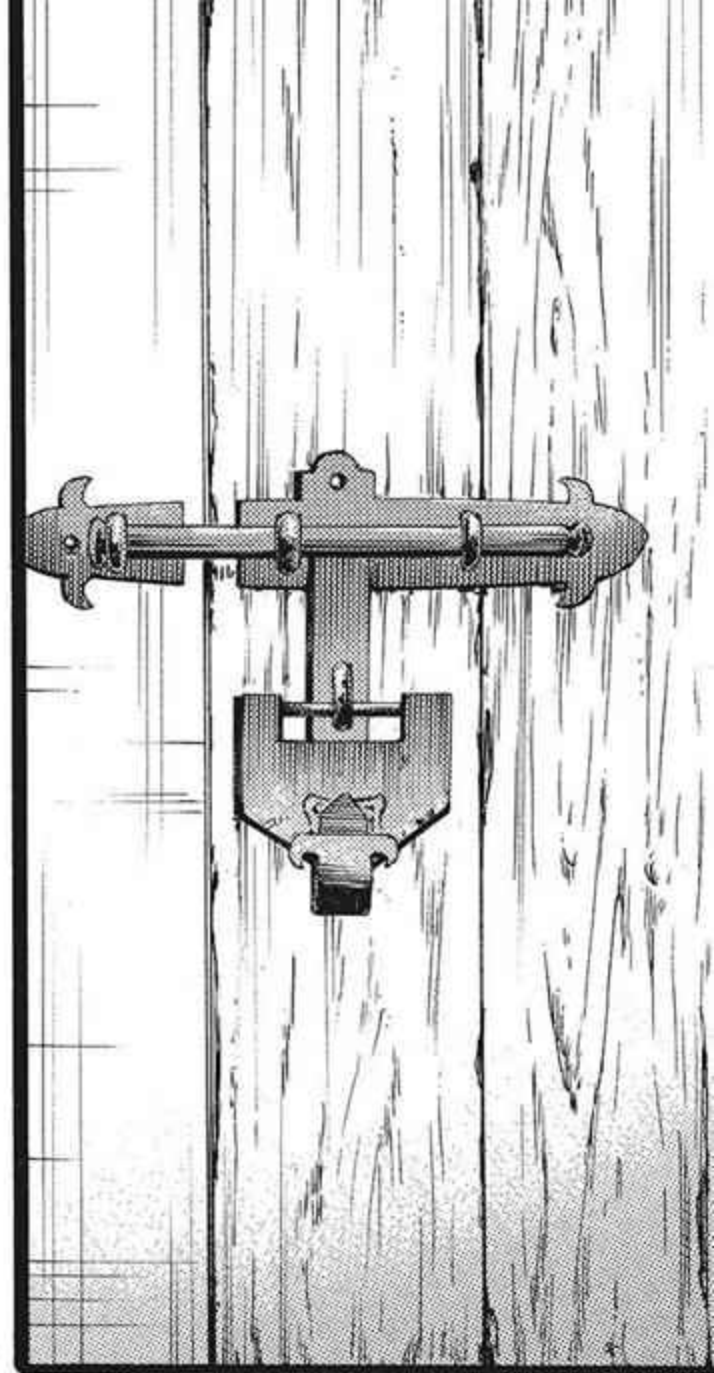


...THAT  
I'VE  
BEEN  
KEEP-  
ING  
SECRET  
ALL  
THIS  
TIME.

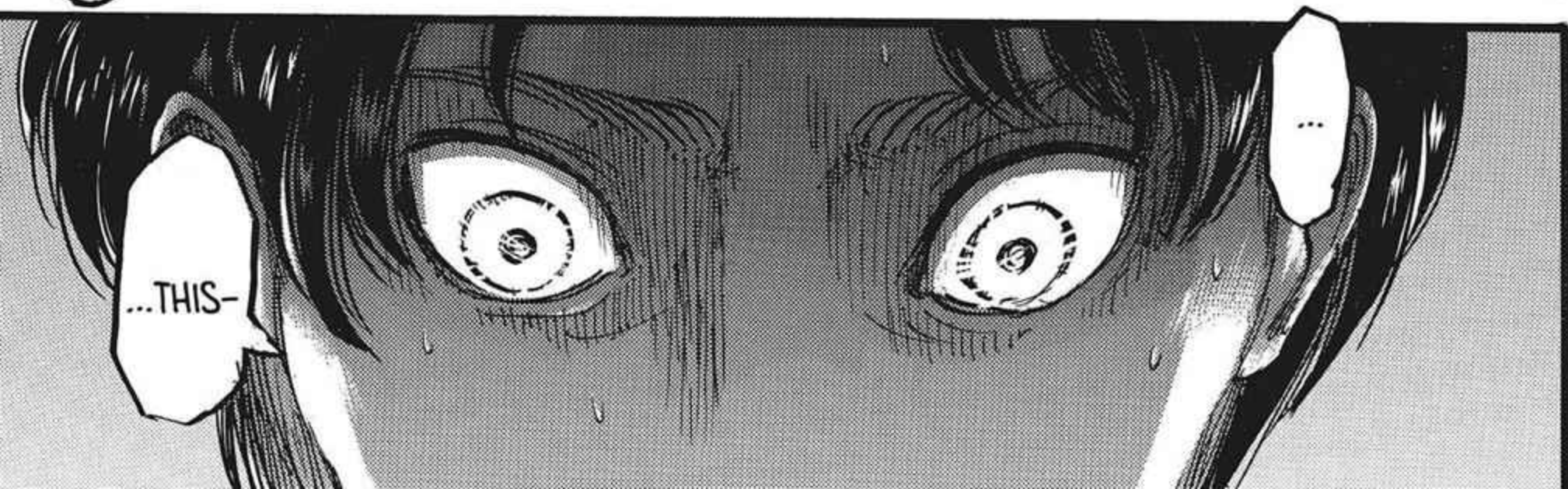
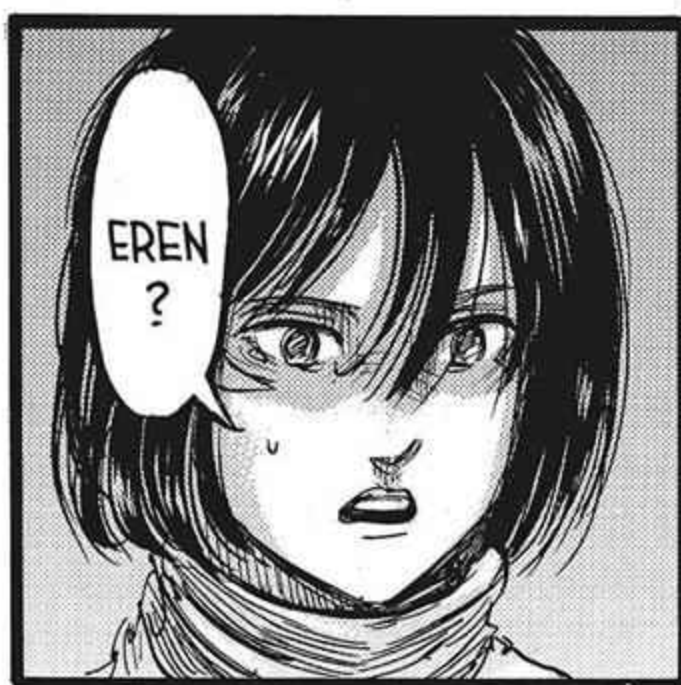
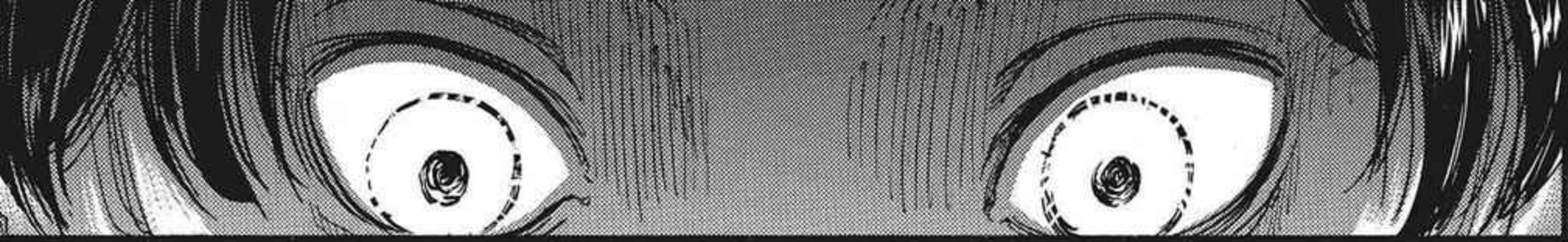


I'LL  
SHOW  
YOU  
WHAT'S  
IN THE  
BASE-  
MENT...

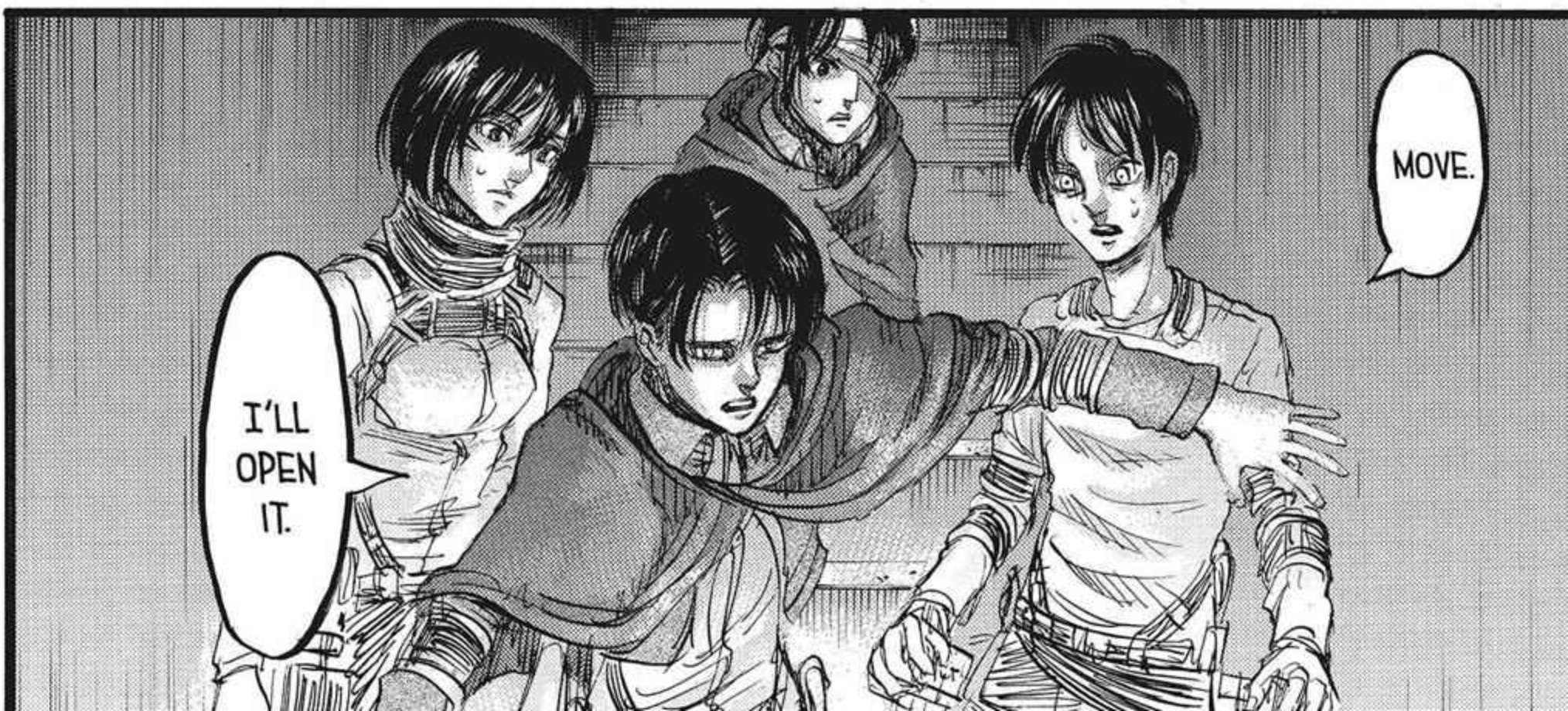








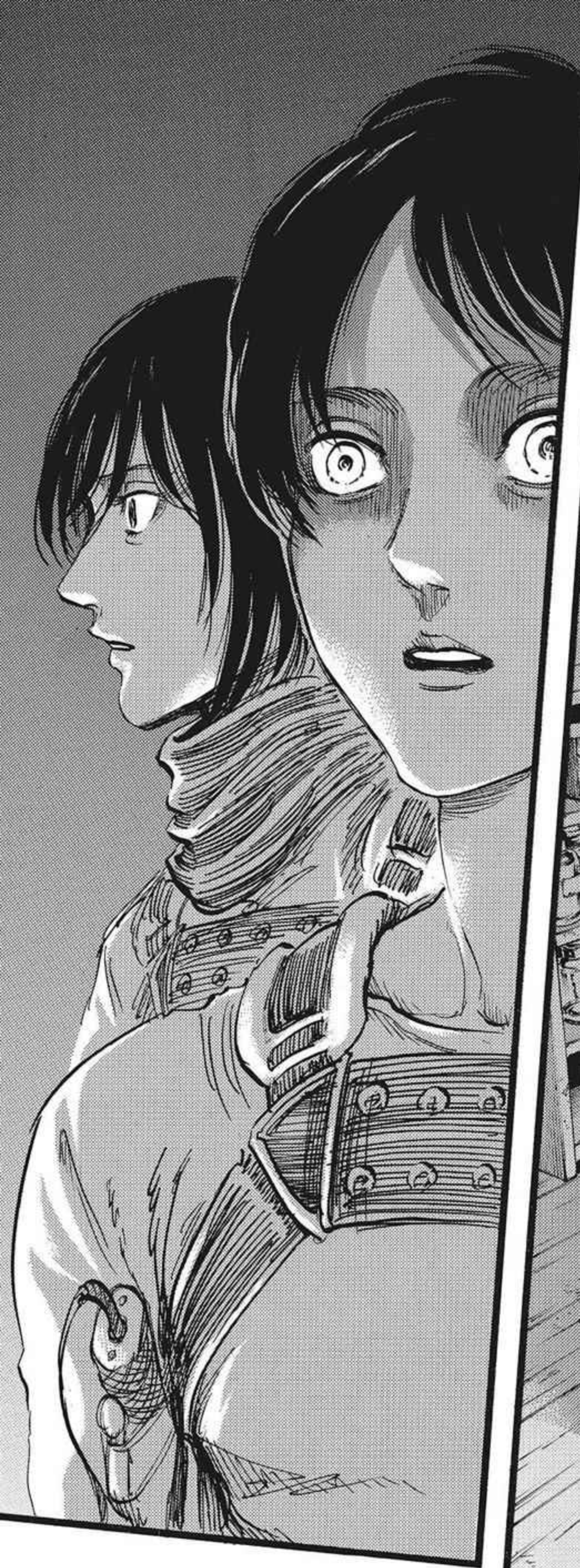










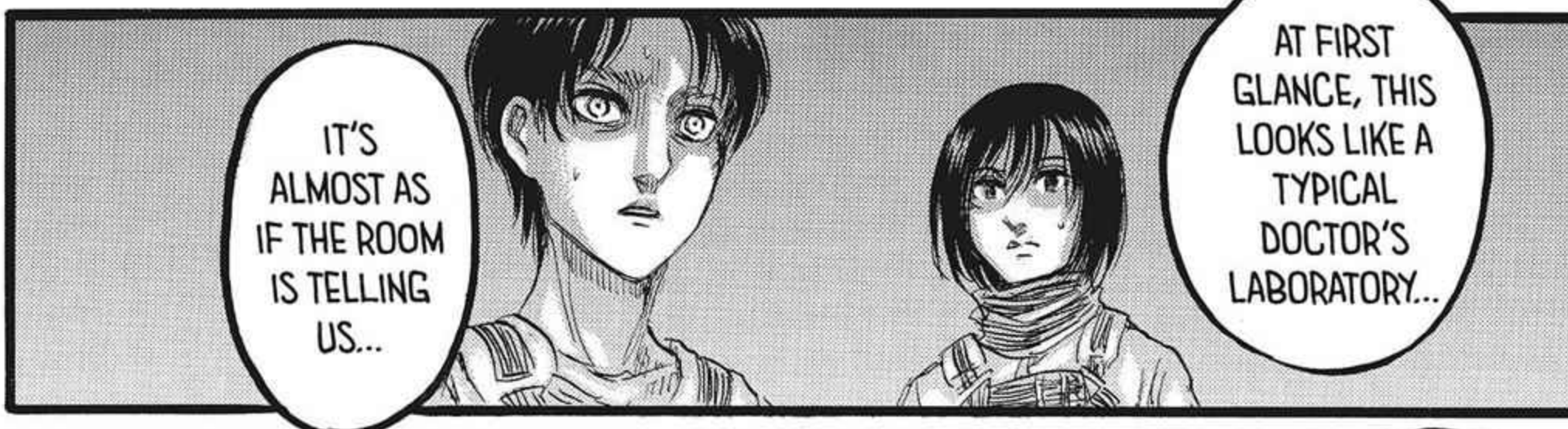






AND  
THESE  
ARE JUST  
MEDICAL  
BOOKS.

HMM...IF  
THESE LABELS  
ARE ACCURATE,  
THESE ARE  
JUST WIDELY-  
AVAILABLE  
MEDICATIONS.



IT'S  
ALMOST AS  
IF THE ROOM  
IS TELLING  
US...

AT FIRST  
GLANCE, THIS  
LOOKS LIKE A  
TYPICAL  
DOCTOR'S  
LABORATORY...



WELL, I DOUBT  
HE WOULD'VE  
LEFT ANYTH'NG  
FORBIDDEN JUST  
LAYING AROUND  
FOR THE  
INTERIOR MPS  
TO FIND.

"THERE'S  
NOTHING  
SUSPICIOUS  
HERE."

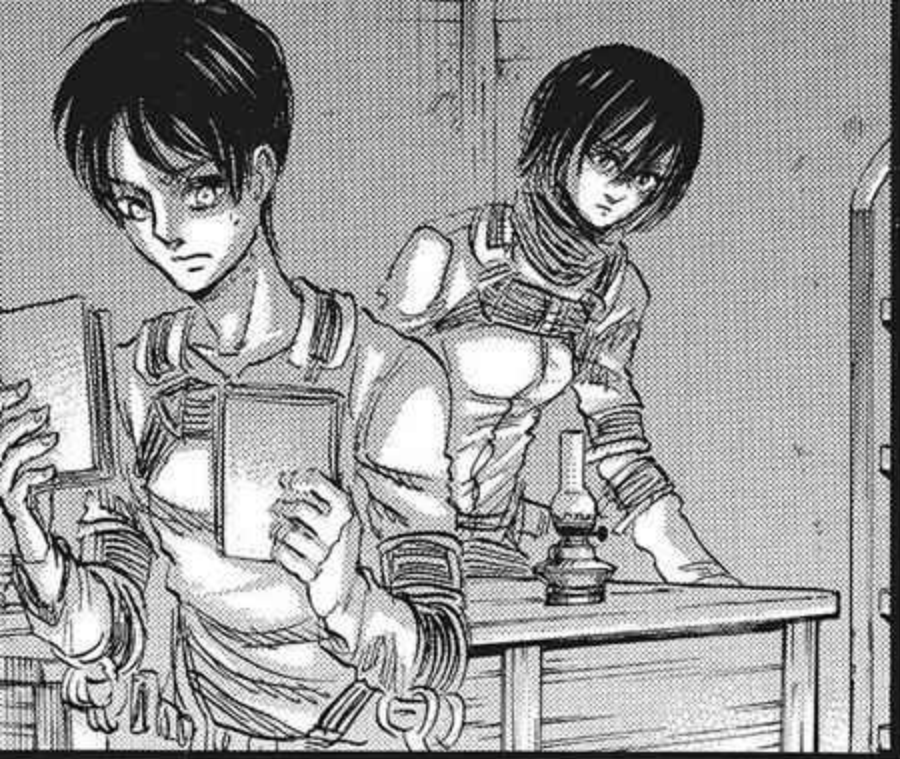


ERWIN'S  
INSTINCTS  
WOULD  
NEVER BE  
THAT OFF  
THE  
MARK.

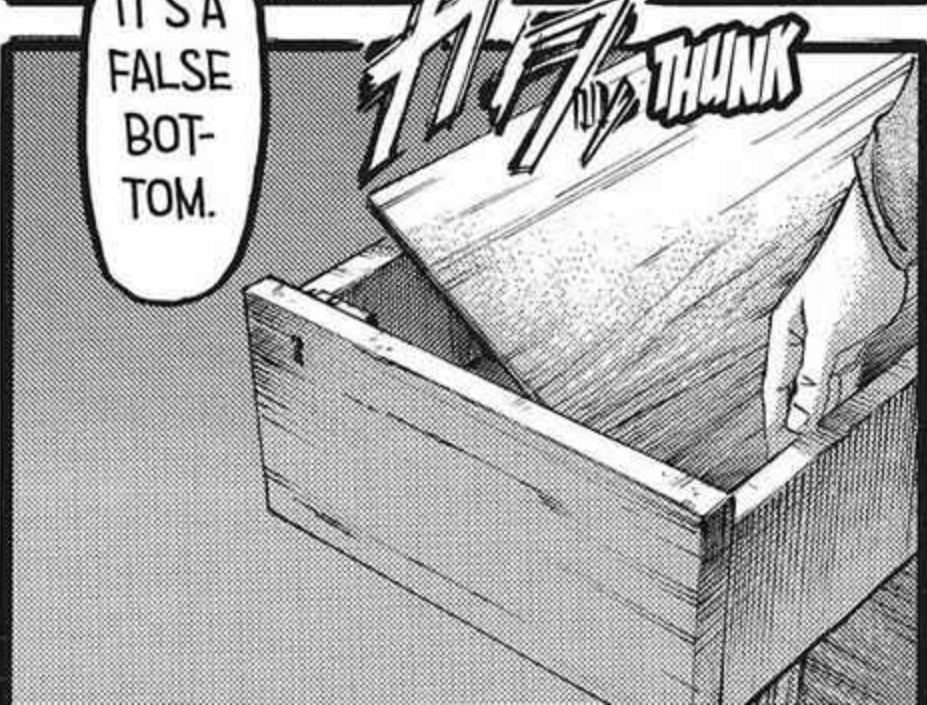
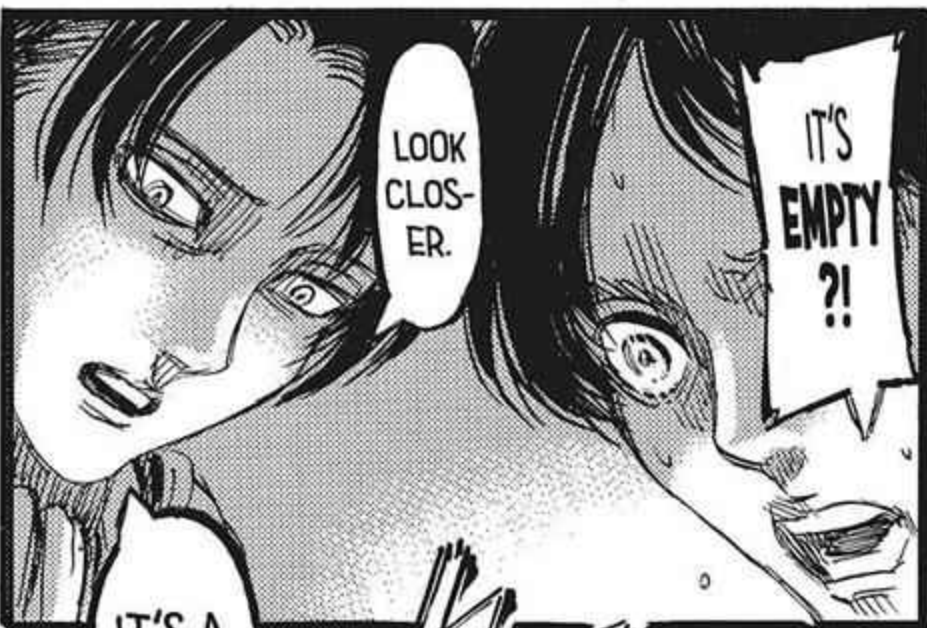
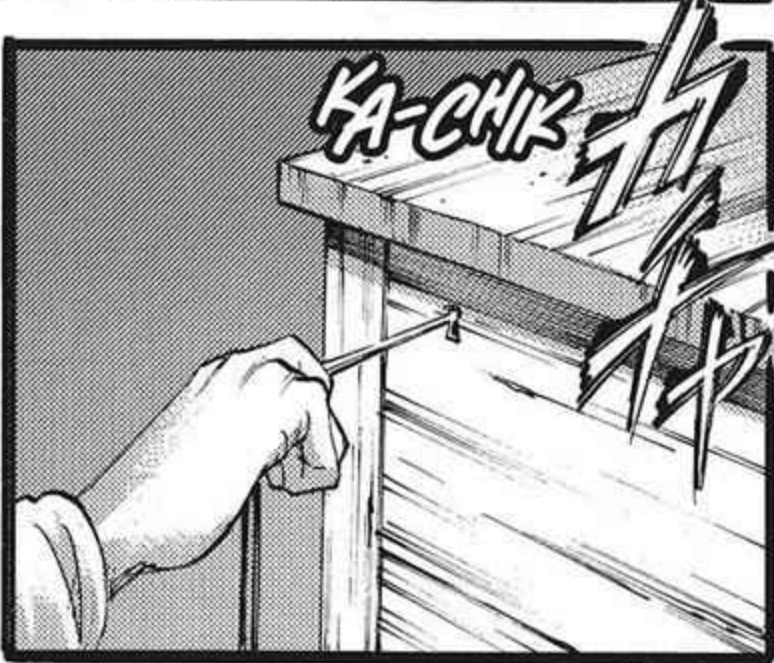
...HEY.  
DON'T  
JUST  
STAND  
THERE,  
YOU  
BRATS.



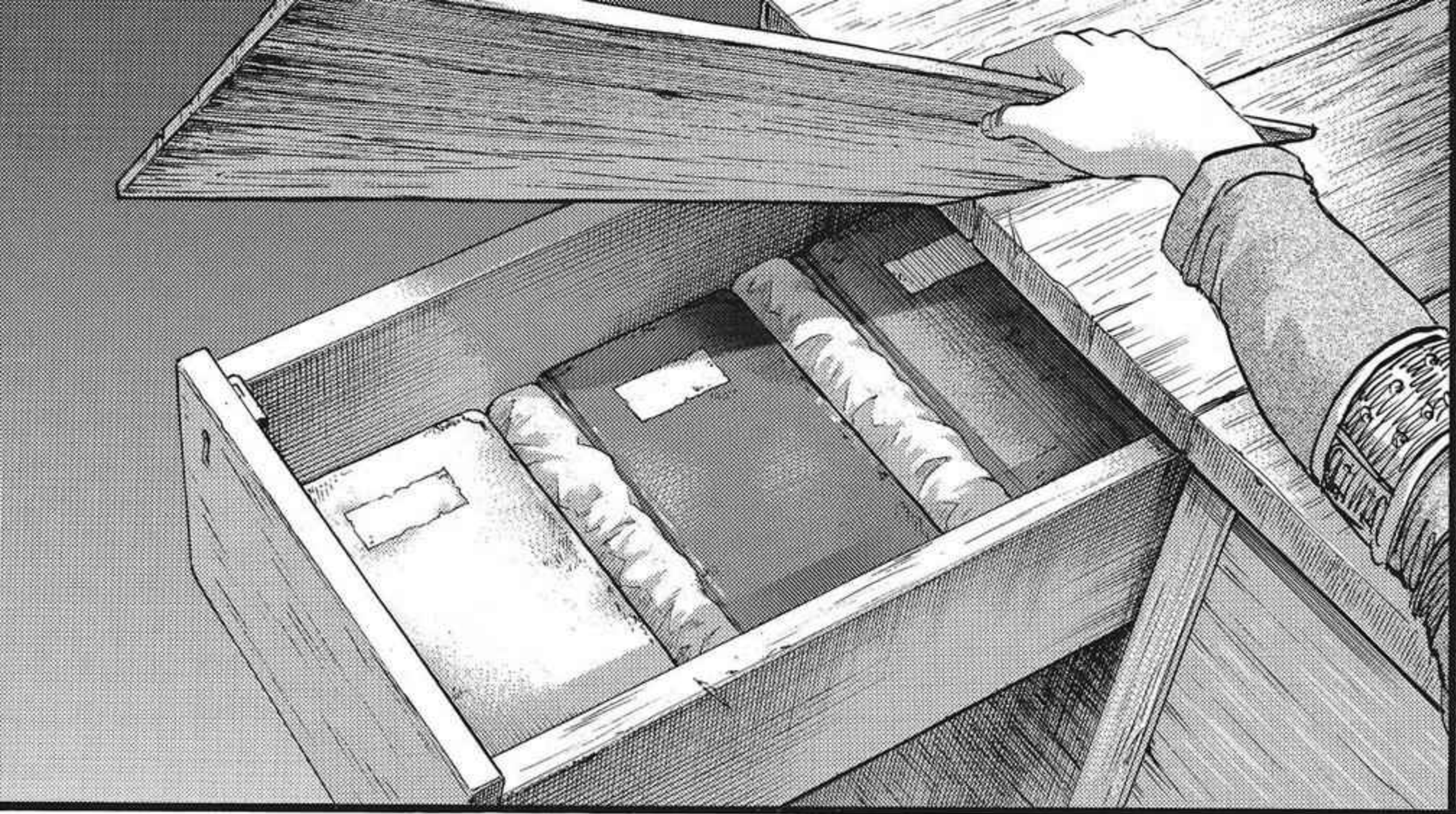












THESE  
MUST BE  
WHAT WE  
WERE  
LOOKING  
FOR.

THREE  
BOOKS...



THEY'VE  
BEEN  
TREATED  
TO KEEP  
MOIS-  
TURE  
AND  
BUGS  
AWAY.

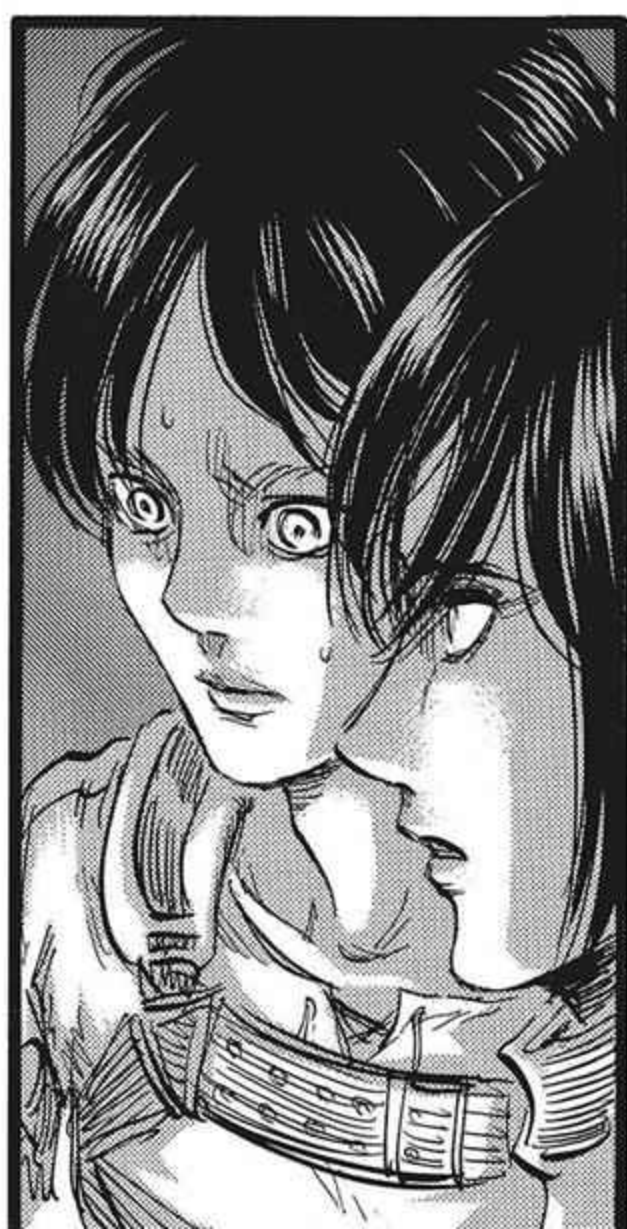
THIS  
SMELLS  
LIKE  
PEPPER-  
MINT  
OIL  
AND CHAR-  
COAL.



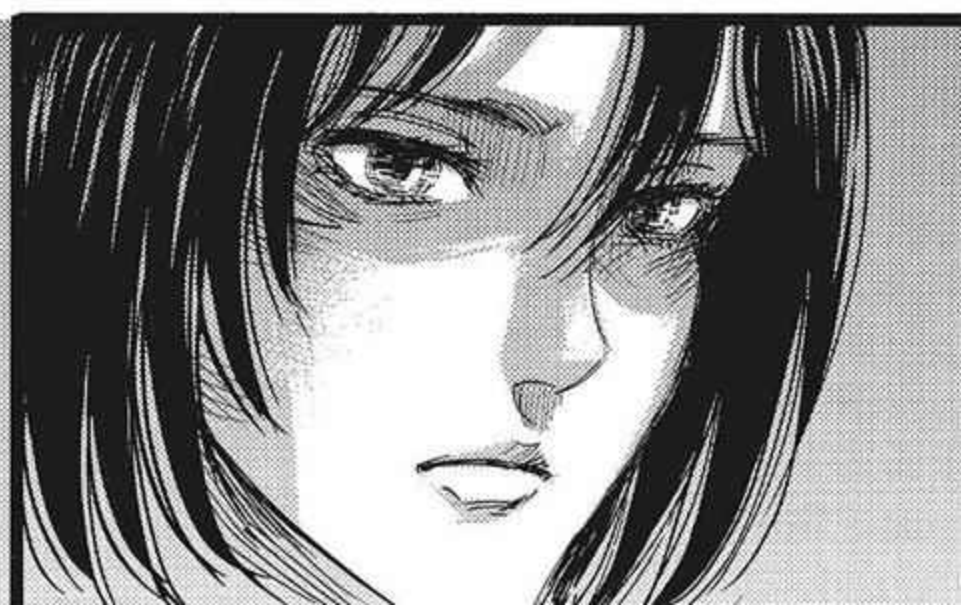
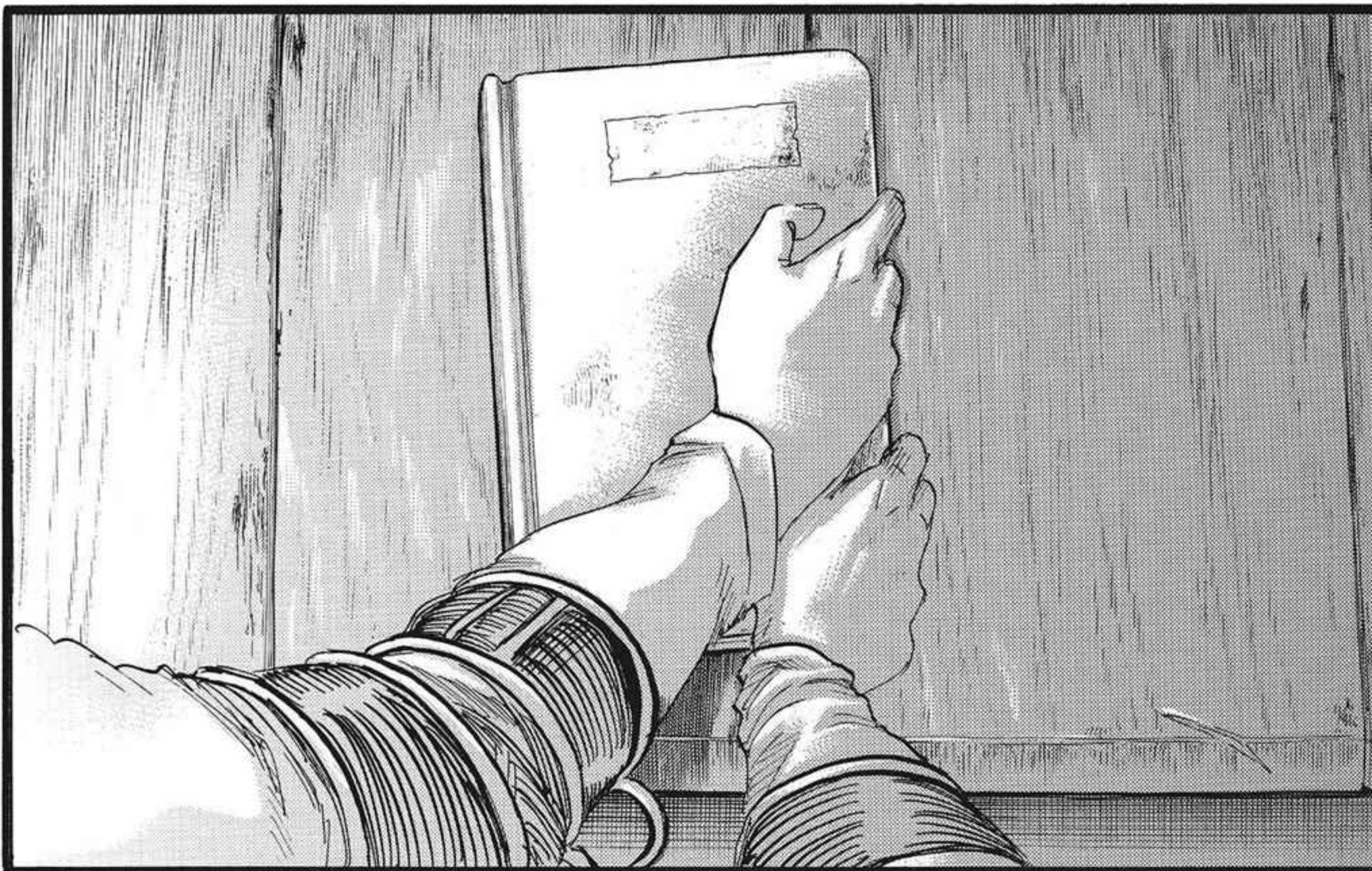
...FATHER...

WHAT  
COULD  
MY...

...HAVE  
WANTED  
TO SHOW  
ME?















AND THAT'S  
WHEN ERWIN  
ASKED THE  
QUESTION.

"HOW DO  
WE  
**KNOW...**"

"...THAT  
THERE AREN'T  
ANY HUMANS  
OUTSIDE THE  
WALLS?"

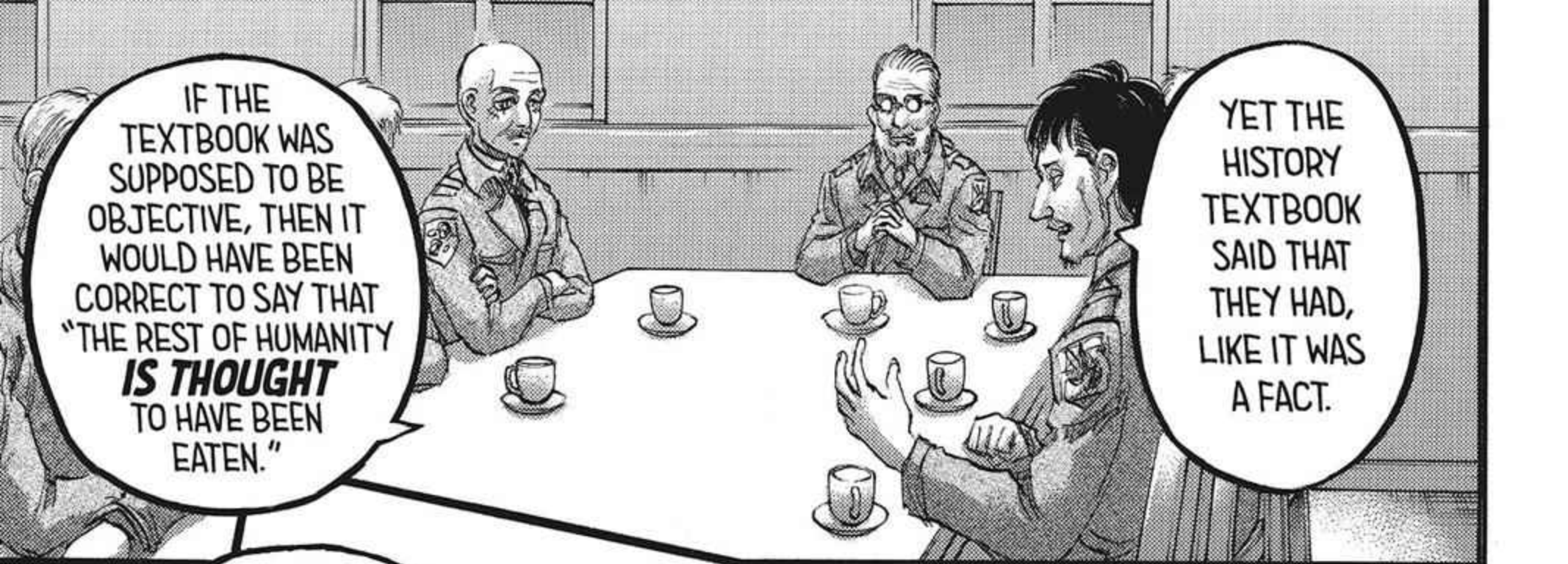
...HE  
SAID.

...WE  
COULDN'T BE  
SURE THAT TITANS  
HAD REALLY WIPED  
OUT THE REST OF  
HUMANITY.

HE  
MEANT THAT,  
SO LONG AS WE  
COULDN'T TRAVEL  
FREELY OUTSIDE  
THE WALLS...








IF THE TEXTBOOK WAS SUPPOSED TO BE OBJECTIVE, THEN IT WOULD HAVE BEEN CORRECT TO SAY THAT "THE REST OF HUMANITY **IS THOUGHT** TO HAVE BEEN EATEN."

YET THE HISTORY TEXTBOOK SAID THAT THEY HAD, LIKE IT WAS A FACT.



...AN INTENT TO MAKE PEOPLE BELIEVE THAT THERE WERE NO HUMANS OUTSIDE THE WALLS.

IN OTHER WORDS, YOU COULD READ A SUBJECTIVE INTENT FROM THAT STATEMENT.

...AND THE LIKELIEST CULPRIT WAS THE ROYAL GOVERNMENT, WHICH PUBLISHED THE BOOK.



LOOK AT US NOW.

BUT:



"YOU'RE OVERTHINKING THINGS."  
"YOU'RE JUST BEING STUBBORN."

I MADE FUN OF HIM.

WHEN I HEARD HIM SAY ALL THAT...





!

JUST  
THE RIGHT  
TIME FOR  
A HERO'S  
RETURN...

IT'S  
NEARLY  
DAWN...

I THINK  
YOUR ONLY  
OPTION IS TO  
APOLOGIZE  
TO HIM  
DIRECTLY.



...HAS  
JUST  
ARRIVED  
!!

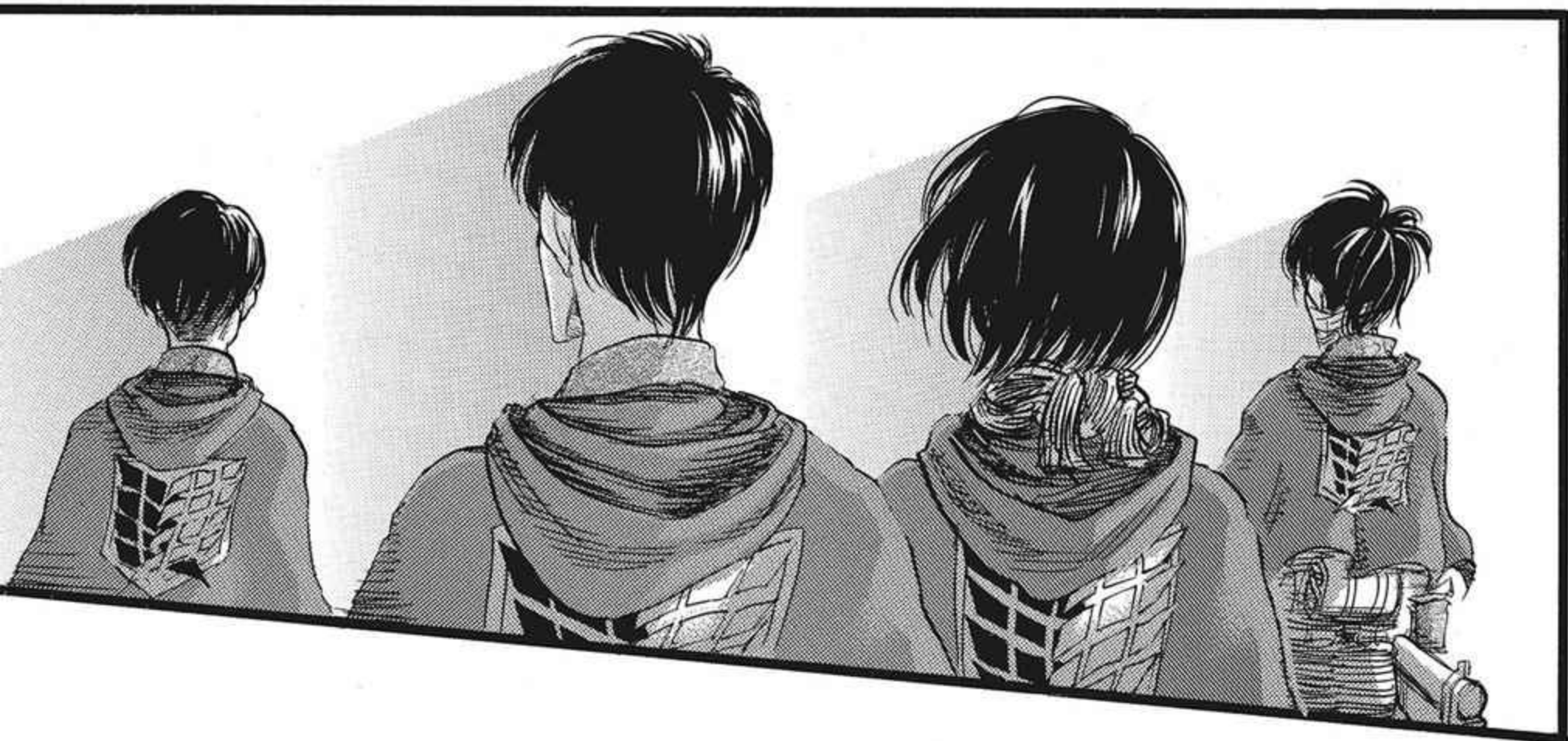
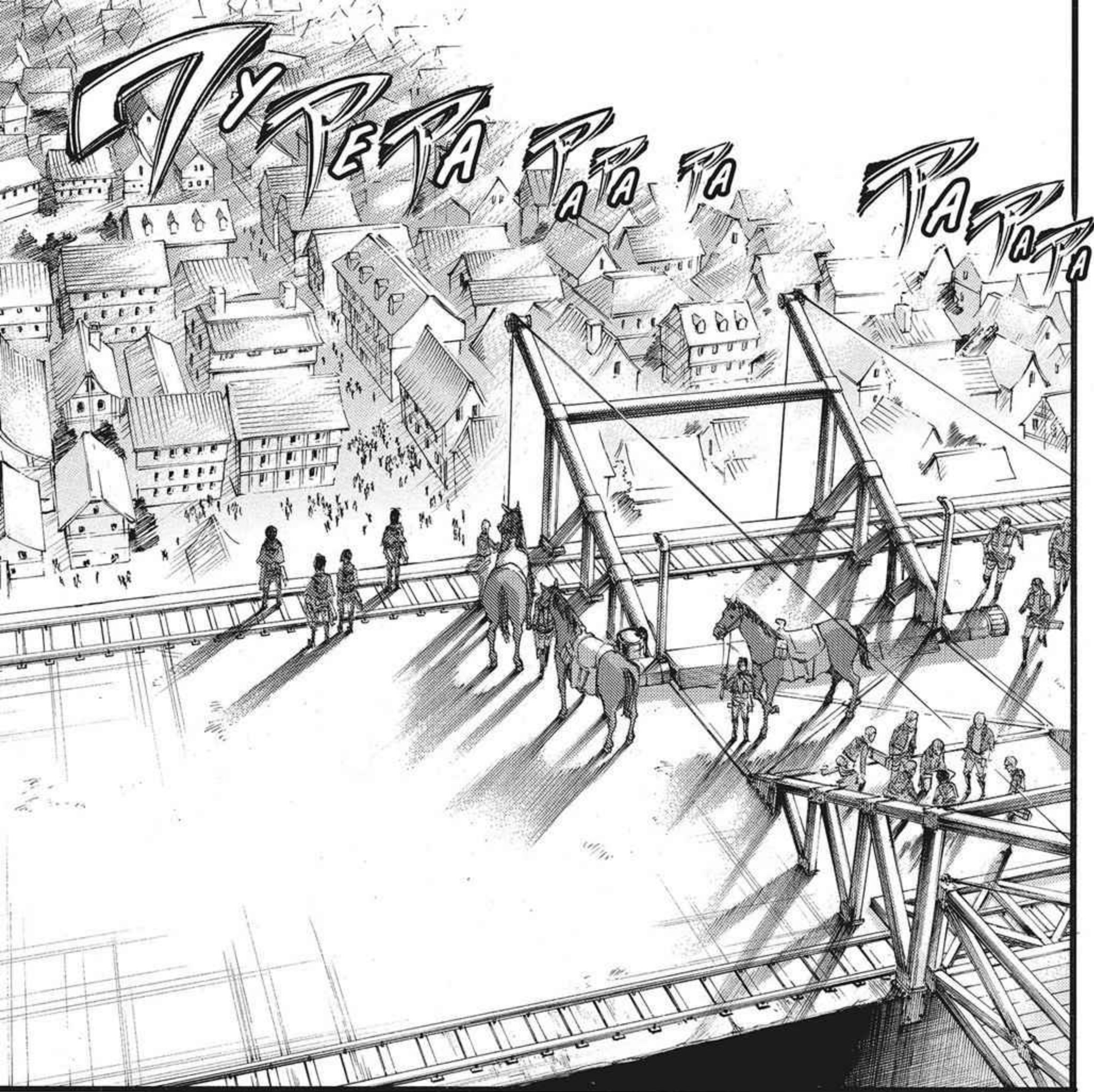
THE  
SURVEY  
CORPS...



THEY  
SUC-  
CEEDED  
!!

WALL  
MARIA  
HAS  
BEEN  
RE-  
TAKEN  
!!









IT'S FAR  
TOO PERFECT  
FOR ANY  
HUMAN TO  
HAVE  
DRAWN IT...

NO  
...

A POR-  
TRAIT ?

IS  
THIS  
...

ON THE OTHER  
SIDE OF THE  
IMAGE WAS A  
MESSAGE  
WRITTEN IN MY  
FATHER'S  
HANDWRITING.



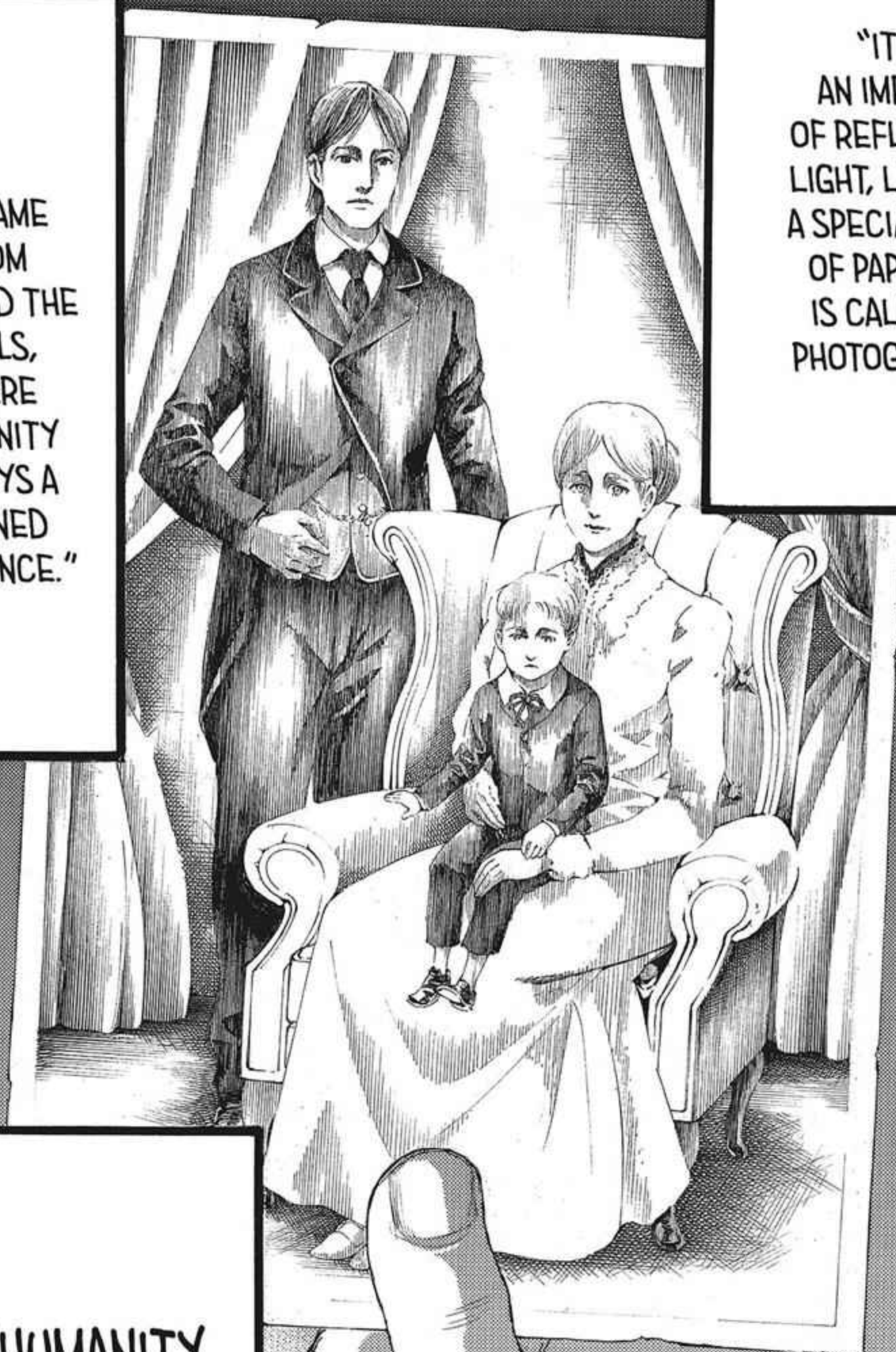
"THIS IS  
NOT AN  
ILLUS-  
TRA-  
TION."



"I CAME  
FROM  
BEYOND THE  
WALLS,  
WHERE  
HUMANITY  
ENJOYS A  
REFINED  
EXISTENCE."

"IT IS  
AN IMPRINT  
OF REFLECTED  
LIGHT, LEFT ON  
A SPECIAL KIND  
OF PAPER. IT  
IS CALLED A  
PHOTOGRAPH."

"HUMANITY  
**HAS  
NOT  
PERISHED.**"





# ATTACK on TITAN